



Relates to Decision No 2012/10

Appendix A

THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

TITLE: COMMUNITY SAFETY FUND 2013-14

1. Background and Advice

- 1.1 A number of principles were established with partners in discussions regarding the possible use of the Commissioner's Community Safety Fund:
- Funding commitments would be for 2013-14 only.
 - All funding must be used for Outcomes that support the Commissioner's Strategic Aims and Community Safety Key Priorities as outlined in the Police and Crime Plan.
 - Where applicable, discussions would take place during 2013 regarding future funding models for the services and activities being funded.
 - The Commissioner's intent is to work with partners to achieve the outcomes agreed and where applicable the Commissioner will be represented on relevant management/governing bodies to support partners in achieving those outcomes. Administration of funding will take a "light touch" approach and performance management will be via partners existing models.
- 1.2 The Commissioner has received notification from the Home Office of the allocation of Community Safety Fund for 2013-14 at £1.794M
- 1.3 Whilst this figure appears to cover the previous Home Office funding streams listed below this is not an exact replication of the funding received by partners in 2012-13 and the use of the funding is to be determined by the Commissioner:
- (i) Community Safety Grant – paid to top tier authorities
 - (ii) YOT Substance Misuse Fund – paid in 2012/13 to the Police Authority
 - (iii) Home Office element of Drugs Intervention Programme Funds
 - (iv) Violence Against Women and Girls Grant
 - (v) Positive Future Grant
- 1.4 In November 2012 at meetings of the Community Safety Partnerships of the two Unitary Authorities and the County Strategy Group the Commissioner committed to providing community safety funding at the same ratio as in 2012/13; although at the time the level of funding likely to be available was unknown. The level of funding announced by the Home Office in December will enable the community safety element to be offered at 100% of the 2012/13 level, i.e:
- Blackburn with Darwen £ 94,958.00
 - Blackpool £ 95,826.00
 - Lancashire 12 area £581,476.00

- 1.5 **Blackburn with Darwen** have proposed use of the community safety fund in their area for the following:
- Support for Domestic Abuse services especially in relation to early intervention and perpetrator programmes. BwD Council also contribute £640K to Domestic Abuse services.
 - Support for ASB services especially in relation to high risk victims and prolific offenders.
 - Support for reducing re-offending services including the Revolution programme.
- 1.6 **Blackpool** have proposed use of the community safety fund in their area for the following:
- Support for ASB services especially in relation to high risk victims and prolific offenders.
 - Support for a range of community safety programmes including those focusing on Violent Crime linked to the night time economy and Domestic Abuse.
- 1.7 **Lancashire 12 area** have proposed that the following areas of activity are supported subject to further details on the delivery and governance structures being agreed:
- The provision of a transitional analytical service for community safety partners including the development of capacity within partners to undertake data use and analysis where this is required. Up to a maximum budget of £105,000
 - To provide continued support for the MADE data warehouse in 2013-14, subject to discussion regarding future funding structure - £15,000
 - To provide continued support for the TIIG data service in 2013-14 subject to discussion with Public Health regarding future funding and improved clarity regarding the information of most value to all partners - £17,509
 - To provide continued support for the Safer Lancashire Communications Group for 2013-14 for PR and campaign work - £50,000
 - To provide continued support for the Children & Young People's Substance Misuse service for 2013-14 - £134,300
- 1.8 **Youth Offending Team (YOT) Triage Service.** The Substance Misuse fund paid to the former Police Authority supported a Triage service in two of the three YOT areas. For 2013-14 the three YOT Boards covering Blackburn, Blackpool and the Lancashire County Council area have agreed to jointly commission a Triage Service focusing on reducing the number of young people who enter the criminal justice system. This has resulted in a more effective and efficient delivery of the service and funding is proposed to support this joint service - £136,643.
- 1.9 **Drug and Alcohol Action Teams (DAATs).** It is proposed that the level of funding for the three DAATs is maintained at the same level as the Home Office element in 2013-14 to provide a degree of continuity of service delivery. Assurances have been sought and obtained from all three DAATs that the level of match funding received from Public Health will also be maintained in 2013-14.
- This funding supports a range of drug and alcohol treatment programmes and is an effective way to reduce crime and re-offending.
- Blackburn with Darwen DAAT £ 90,000
 - Blackpool DAAT £143,000
 - Lancashire DAAT £364,084

2. Consultations

- 2.1 Meetings have taken place between the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and relevant officers in the following local authorities and partners agencies
- Blackburn with Darwen Council
 - Blackpool Council
 - Lancashire County Council
 - Joint meeting of the three Youth Offending Team Managers
 - Lancashire Drug and Alcohol Action Team
 - Lancashire Community Safety Strategy Group Working Group including representatives from the 12 district councils

3. Implications:

- 3.1 This item has the following implications, as indicated:
- Approval of the use of the Community Safety Fund will provide ongoing support for a wide range of community safety programmes and activity that will contribute to the delivery of the Commissioner's Strategic Aims and Community Safety Key Priorities.
 - Non-approval of some or all of the proposals will result in the closure of a number of community safety programmes and activity which will have a negative impact on the delivery of the Commissioner's Strategic Aims and Community Safety Key Priorities.
 - Approval of the use of the Community Safety Fund as outlined in this paper will leave an un-allocated amount in respect of the amount of funding agreed by the Commissioner for the Lancashire 12 area of £259,667. Options for the use of this funding will be presented in a separate paper for the Commissioner to consider.
 - Approval of the use of the Community Safety Fund as outlined in this paper and including the un-allocated amount within the Lancashire 12 area will leave a balance within the Commissioner's Community Safety Fund of £209,013. Options for the use of this funding will be presented in a separate paper for the Commissioner to consider.

4 Risk management

- 4.1 Reputational Risk
Non-approval of all or some of the use of the Community Safety Fund may result in damage to the reputation of the Commissioner.
- 4.2 Financial Risk
As the Community Safety Fund has been approved by the Home Office there will be no risk to other areas of police funding.
- 4.3 Equality, Diversity and Human Rights
Partners use of the funding will be monitored to ensure that there are no risks for the Commissioners in regard to Equality, Diversity and Human Rights matters.

5. Background Papers

- 5.1 The following background papers are relevant to this matter:

- Lancashire Community Safety Strategy Group report to November 2012 meeting: Community Safety Funding - Implications for transfer to the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Pan Lancashire Youth Offending partnership arrangements for the commissioning of a Youth Triage Service
- Lancashire Drug and Alcohol Action Team Briefing for the Police and Crime Commissioner

6. Public access to information

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.

Any fact or advice that should not be made automatically available on request will not be included in Part I but instead as a Part II form.

Decisions will be available on the Police and Crime Commissioner's website within 2 working days of being approved.

Officer declaration	Date
The legal services team have been consulted on this proposal.	22.01.13
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
The Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	22.01.13
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS	
The Strategic Advisor & Partnerships Officer have undertaken consultation with partners on this proposal	Dec 2012 – Jan 2013
CONSULTATION	
<p>Chief Executive Officer (Monitoring Officer)</p> <p>I have been informed about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.</p> <p>Signature.....Date.....</p>	