

POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION 2020/21 Date: 16th October 2020

TITLE: COMMUNITY ACTION FUND APPLICATIONS

REPORT BY: STEFF HULL

Executive Summary

The Commissioner has allocated £150,000 to the Community Action Fund which is financed through PoCA (Proceeds of Crime Act).

Applications are invited from voluntary, community and faith (VCF) sector constituted organisations. The Fund is administered by LANPAC on behalf of the Commissioner.

LANPAC has received 9 applications in October 2020 which have been reviewed in line with the terms and conditions and criteria of the Fund as follows:

- 1. Incredible Edible Accrington
- 2. Let's Be Friends
- 3. Moor Nook Youth Development Scheme
- 4. Wot Wud U Do
- 5. Community Network and Outreach Service
- 6. Friends of Conway Park
- 7. Friends of Tawd Valley
- 8. Out in the Bay
- 9. St Thomas' Church of England Blackpool

- Recommend for approval
- Recommend for approval
- Recommend for approval
- Recommend for approval
- Not recommended for approval

These Applications have been reviewed to ensure that they are operating within the government's guidelines to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and that they support priorities identified by the Commissioner.

Rosemary and Time were awarded £2,700 in April 2020 (decision 2020/03) however the organisation has withdrawn their application as they are unable to deliver "I'll Be Back" project due COVID-19 restrictions.

The Grant Information indicated that, whilst the maximum grant is £3,000, the Commissioner would be looking for applications lower than this to enable the fund to be widely available as possible.

Where a lower grant than that applied for has been recommended LANPAC will work with the applicant to ensure that the project will be able to continue and will provide support and advice in regard to other funding options.

Recommendation

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the level of funding for the Applications as outlined in Appendix A.

The total amount of funding recommended is £9,440

Financial Implications

The 2020-2021 budget for the Community Action Fund is £150,000 of which £82,788.50 has already been approved and awarded to other projects and schemes. The **£9,440** funding for these applications will be met from the remaining £67,211.50 leaving an unspent balance in the Fund of £57,771.50

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date: 23rd October 2020

PARTI

1. Background and Advice

All applications have been assessed against the Fund Criteria and if recommended for approval meet all the criteria

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

All applications recommended for approval support one or more of the priorities details in the Police and Crime Plan

3. Consultation

N/A

4. Implications

a. Legal

None to consider.

b. Financial

The applications approved will be funded from existing funds allocated to the Community Action Fund.

c. Equality considerations

Equality data is currently gathered for all CAF applications.

5. Background Papers

None

6. Public access to information

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

Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC website within 3 working days of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form.

Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	ARC
	16/10/2020
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION - Not applicable	

Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)

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.

Signature: Date: 16th October 2020