



POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION 2021/09	Date: 24th June 2021
TITLE: COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING	
REPORT BY: STEFF HULL ROBERT RUSTON	

Executive Summary

The Commissioner allocated £240,000 to the 12 district Community Safety Partnership for 2020-2021 to address the issues of serious violence.

Each district Community Safety Partnership has up to £20,000 for projects / initiatives that support one or more of the Commissioner's priorities along with one or more of the four Lancashire Violence Reduction Network priority areas.

Due to the pressures the pandemic brought upon CSPs the then Commissioner agreed that any unallocated funding could be rolled forward into 2021-2022 recognising it has not been easy to arrange and plan projects due to Covid-19 restrictions.

This decision seeks to confirm the allocation of £47,698 from the Community Safety Fund towards the four projects as outlined in Appendix A.

Since 2015, the Commissioner has provided funding to the two Unitary Councils towards supporting Community Safety.

This decision seeks to confirm the 2021-2022 allocation of funding towards Community Safety for Blackpool Council (£91,000) and Blackburn with Darwen Council (£70,000). (Both partners use the funding to support posts or projects that have post aligned with them and no discussions have taken place with either partner regarding withdrawing or reducing funding during 2021-22.)

Recommendation

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £47,698 from the Community Safety Partnerships Fund towards the four projects outlined in Appendix A.

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £91,000 from the Community Safety Fund to Blackpool Council.

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £70,000 from the Community Safety Fund to Blackburn with Darwen Council.

Signature

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Police and Crime Commissioner

Date: 25th June 2021

Part 1

Decision 2021/09 Appendix A

1. Background and Advice

The Commissioner has made up to £20,000 available for each district Community Safety Partnership for projects / initiatives that support one or more of the Commissioner's priorities along with one or more of the four Lancashire Violence Reduction Network priority areas.

This decision seeks to confirm the allocation of £47,698 from the Community Safety Partnerships fund towards the four projects as outlined below:

1. CSP Area	Ribble Valley Community Safety Partnership		
Project Name	BBGC 2		
Amount requested	£17,198	Match Funding	£20k (In kind) Diocese of Blackburn's Venue at Whalley Abbey
Summary:	<p>Ribble Valley CSP would like funding to enable Burnley Boys and Girls Club (BBGC) to continue providing detached youth work from the Youth Hub based at Whalley Abbey for a further 12 months. Funding for the youth support was previously funded via the Lancashire Violence Reduction Network.</p> <p>BBGC in partnership with Lancashire County Council's Children and Family Wellbeing Service and the local Policing team support vulnerable young people who are known for being involved in criminal activity including ASB, vandalism and substance misuse. The young people take part in a range of diversionary activities, multi-sports, drama, and art sessions.</p> <p>The Hub operates three evenings per week from Thursday – Saturday and is staffed by two youth workers along with volunteers, including an off-duty police officer. The Hub provides a safe space for young people at risk and aims to build relationships between the youngsters and agencies and promote group discussions on topical issues.</p>		
Recommendation:	The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £17,198 from the Community Safety Partnership Fund.		

2. CSP Area	Rossendale Community Safety Partnership		
Project Name	Love Parks and Youth Engagement		
Amount requested	£10,500	Match Funding	N/A
Summary:	<p>Rossendale Council has an ongoing initiative 'Love Parks' which aims to improve the facilities in the borough's parks. Two parks (Edgeside and Stubblelee) both within deprived areas suffer from youth nuisance and anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Rossendale Community Safety Partnership would like to work in partnership with two local charities; Newground and The White Horse Project to engage the young people involved.</p> <p>Newground will deliver a range of positive activities for the young people who congregate in Stubblelee park and the White Horse Project will engage and deliver activities for the young people who congregate at Edgeside Park including tree planting and creating</p>		

	wildflower meadows with the aim to give young people a sense of ownership over the facilities. Rossendale Borough Council also like to utilise £2,000 to improve the lighting within Stubbylee Park to increase public safety.
Recommendation:	The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £10,500 from the Community Safety Partnership Fund.

3. CSP Area	Wyre Community Safety Partnership		
Project Name	Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse		
Amount requested	£5,000	Match Funding	N/A
Summary:	<p>Wyre Community Safety Partnership wish to raise awareness of domestic by expending and developing the 'No Excuse for Abuse' campaign.</p> <p>The 'No Excuse for Abuse' campaign which was created by the OPCC and Lancashire Constabulary raises awareness and understanding of domestic abuse, the help and support available to victims and perpetrators and how and where people can report their concerns.</p> <p>Wyre Council will display campaign materials on their waste vehicles, bin wagons, bus shelters and phone boxes along with promoting the campaign online through social media.</p>		
Recommendation:	The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £5,000 from the Community Safety Partnership Fund.		

4. CSP Area	West Lancashire Community Safety Partnership		
Project Name	Safer Streets – Electricity Supply		
Amount requested	£15,000	Match Funding	Home Office Safer Streets Fund Round 1
Summary:	<p>West Lancashire Borough Council were successful recipients of the Home Office Safer Streets Fund (Round 1).</p> <p>Round 1 of the Safer Streets Fund focused on preventative measures to reduce acquisitive crimes and therefore the funding was to support CCTV, street lighting and motorcycle barriers.</p> <p>Further to their successful Safer Streets Bid West Lancashire are experiencing ongoing issues in relation to the cost increase around the electricity support to four streets lamps. West Lancashire would like to utilise their CSP funding to address the shortfall.</p>		
Recommendation:	The Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £15,000 from the Community Safety Partnership Fund.		

1. Consultation

N/A

2. Implications

a. Legal

None to consider.

b. Financial

The £47,698 approved will be funded from existing funds allocated to the Community Safety Partnerships.

The funding for Blackpool Council (£91,000) and Blackburn with Darwen Council (£70,000) will be met from the Community Safety Fund.

c. Equality considerations

Equality data is currently gathered for all CSP agreement forms.



3. Background Papers

2020/14 – Violence Reduction Network and Community Safety Partnership Funding

4. 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	 24/06/2021
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: 24 th June 2021