

RECOMMENDATION REPORT

DECISION: 07/2025 DATE: 03/06/2025

TITLE: Sponsorship, Gifts and Loans 2024/25

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Executive Summary

Under Section 93 of the Police Act 1996, a Police Authority may, in connection with the discharge of its functions, accept gifts of money and gifts or loans of other property, on such terms as appear to the Authority to be appropriate. The terms on which gifts or loans are accepted may allow commercial sponsorship of some police force activities.

The total value of gifts, loans and sponsorship accepted should not exceed a maximum equivalent value of 1% of the Force budget annually (£3.712m in 2024/25). Provided it remains below this figure, the PCC can assume that the value of gifts, loans and sponsorship will be discounted for the purposes of calculating Government grants to the PCC.

The value of gifts, loans, and sponsorship during the 2024/25 financial year was £28,607 (£351,502.32 in 2023/24).

All sponsorship, gifts and loans received fall within the guidelines set out in the Sponsorship, Gifts and Loans policy.

Recommendations:

To note the value of sponsorship, gifts and loans received in 2024/25.

PART II

1. Background and Advice

- 1.1. Under Section 93 of the Police Act 1996, a Police Authority may, in connection with the discharge of its functions, accept gifts of money and gifts or loans of other property, on such terms as appear to the Authority to be appropriate. The terms on which gifts or loans are accepted may allow commercial sponsorship of some police force activities.
- 1.2. The total value of gifts, loans and sponsorship accepted should not exceed a maximum equivalent value of 1% of the Force budget annually (£3.712m in 2024/25). Provided it remains below this figure, the PCC can assume that the value of gifts, loans and sponsorship will be ignored for the purposes of calculating Government grants to the PCC.
- 1.3. The value of gifts, loans, and sponsorship for 2024/25 is £28,607.

Division	Sponsor	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Year to date total
West	LANPAC plus match funding from Fylde	-£3,100	•			-£2,500
	FYLDE BOROUGH COUNCIL	-£300	,			-£300
South	LANPAC Operation Hail		-£687			-£687
East	LANPAC - Various inititaives	-£2,070		-£5,119		-£7,189
	Net View Systems Ltd - Operation U Turn			-£500		-£500
	Verac IT - Operation U Turn			-£500		-£500
Spec Ops	LANPAC - Various inititaives	-£315		-£3,316		-£3,631
Excellence Awards	PSL	-£1,000				-£1,000
	XEROX UK LTD	-£1,000				-£1,000
	PREMIER	-£1,000				-£1,000
	UNISON	-£1,000				-£1,000
	POLICE SUPERINTENDENTS' ASSOCIATION		-£300			-£300
	AJARTEC		-£500			-£500
	INSIGHT DIRECT (UK) LTD		-£500			-£500
	LANPAC		-£1,000			-£1,000
	UNISON		-£1,000			-£1,000
	LANCASHIRE POLICE FEDERATION		-£4,000			-£4,000
Staff Networks (Big iftar Event)	UNISON			-£1,000		-£1,000
	LANCASHIRE POLICE FEDERATION				-£1,000	-£1,000
Total		-£9,785	-£6,787	-£11,035	-£1,000	-£28,607

1.4. All sponsorship, gifts and loans received fall within the guidelines set out in the Sponsorship, Gifts and Loans policy.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

Effective management of the revenue budget in conjunction with strong medium-term financial planning including for investment in futures years is vital to enable the PCC to deliver the Police and Crime Plan

3. Consultations

None

5.0 Implications:

a. Legal

None

b. Financial

The financial impact of this decision are set out in the report

c. Equality Impact Assessment

d. Data Protection Impact Assessment

There are no direct data protection implications in the making of this decision

6.0. Risk Management

7.0. 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					
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above					
CONSULTATION – As above					
Author – Chief Finance Officer					
Signature Steve Freeman Date 03/06/2025					
Sponsor – Chief Finance Officer					
I have read the above report and confirm this is factually correct.					
Signature Steve Freeman Da	ite 03/06/2025				

Chief Finance Officer to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

I have read the above report and have considered the financial implications. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.

Signature Steve Freeman

Date 03/06/2025

Chief Executive 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 Anna Hopkins

Date 19/06/2025