Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Community Safety Fund – April 2015 Applications

Decision number: 089/2015

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Protective Marking: Part One

Executive Summary:

For 2015/16 the Police and Crime Commissioner has made available £690,920 of funding to ensure continued support to local community, voluntary and faith organisations.

For April 2015 the PCC received 7 applications totalling £122,524.00. Four applications have been recommended for approval, totalling £70,324, thereby leaving £620,596.00.

Of the successful bids 2 are for countywide projects, with the remaining focusing on the boroughs of Guildford and Epsom and Ewell.

Applications

The following provides an overview of those applications received and recommended for approval.

Community Mediation Services

To award £29,700 to Surrey Community Mediation Services to continue to offer their free community mediation services to resolve neighbour disputes via referrals from the Police, Local Borough Councils, Housing Associations and self-referral. The services are all volunteer led and use the skills of trained volunteer mediators working across the whole of Surrey.

The Big Wheel

To award £2,000 for a cycling and walking community day in May. Guildford Borough Council with Voluntary Action SWS Surrey wishes to provide cycling marking crime prevention kits to be installed into cycles at this event. The funding will enable the organisers to purchases the kits.

Safe Drive Stay Alive

To award £35,000 to Surrey Fire and Rescue to support the delivery of Safe Drive Stay Alive event in October. Safe Drive Stay Alive is a road safety education initiative that aims to make young people more aware of their responsibilities on the road and the consequences of poor or irresponsible driving. The funding will pay for the transportation costs for the events.

Epsom and Ewell ASB Motorcycle Project

To award £3,624 for the purchase of two Honda CRF250L dual purpose motorcycles. The Borough of Epsom is suffering from young people riding off road motorcycles in an antisocial manner in the estates and surrounding parks and green areas. The motorcycles with enable the local neighbourhood team the ability to patrol the problem areas and provide an opportunity to obtain evidence capable of sustaining successful prosecutions against those who have a negative impact on local people's lives. It will also provide a visible deterrent and provide welcome reassurance and confidence to residents that the local police are listening to their concerns and actively doing something about them. The funding will support the purchase of one bike.

Recommendation

The Commissioner supports the recommendations of the Community Safety Fund Decision Panel and awards to the following;

- £29,700 to the Surrey Community Mediation Service
- £2,000 to Guildford Borough Council and VASAS for The Big Wheel Project
- £35,000 to Surrey Fire and Rescue for Safe Drive Stay Alive
- £3,624 to Surrey Police for the Epsom and Ewell ASB Motorcycle Project

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

Signature:

Date: 24/04/2015

All decisions must be added to the decision register.

Areas of consideration

Consultation

Consultation has taken place with appropriate lead officers depending on the application. All applications have been asked to supply evidence of any consultation and community engagement.

Financial implications

All applications have been asked to supply accurate financial information including the total costs of the project with breakdown where the money will be spent; any additional funding secured or applied for and plans for on-going funding. The Community Safety Fund Decision Panel considers the financial risks and opportunities when looking at each application.

Legal

Legal advice is taken on an application by application basis.

Risks

The Community Safety Fund Decision Panel considers any risks in the allocation of funding. It is also part of the process to consider when refusing an application the service delivery risks if appropriate.

Equality and diversity

Each application will be requested to supply appropriate equality and diversity information as part of the monitoring requirements. All applicants are expected to adhere to the Equality Act 2010

Risks to human rights

Each application will be requested to supply appropriate human rights information as part of the monitoring requirements. All applicants are expected to adhere to the Human Rights Act.