

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Community Safety Fund Applications – September 2019

Decision number: 019/2019

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Protective Marking: Official

Executive Summary:

For 2019/20 the Police and Crime Commissioner has made available £500,000 of funding to ensure continued support to local community, voluntary and faith organisations.

Applications for Small Grant Awards up to £5000 – Community Safety Fund

Surrey Police – Operation Squadron

To award the Surrey Police £1500 towards the running of Operation Squadron which aims to work in vulnerable locations to raise awareness of Modern Slavery. The campaign will aim to raise public awareness of Modern Slavery and the signs, increase the number of intelligence reports, increase the number of individuals safeguarded and protected, and provide reassurance to the businesses.

Matrix Trust = Youth Hubs

To award The Matrix Trust £3,000 towards their 2 Matrix Youth Hubs, in 2 disadvantaged areas in Guildford Borough where there are very few social activities for this age group. These hubs have been running for 14 years collectively in partnership with local churches, and provide a safe, fun environment for young people aged 11-14, based in their community, where they can socialise, connect with positive role-models and their community to grow and thrive.

Freedom Leisure – Friday Night Project

To award Freedom Leisure £2,000 towards The Friday Night Project which is a low cost multi activity evening for young people aged 11-18 providing inclusive, fun and social sports and activities for the local community. They use sport and fun activities to engage with young people in a safe environment and aim to reduce levels of ASB and improve physical and mental wellbeing. Participants can meet new people each week and make new friends, learn new skills, gain social skills and improve general confidence. The funding from this grant would be used as a contribution towards staffing costs including youth worker costs.

Surrey Police – Rural Crime Week

To award Surrey Police £1,400 towards Rural Crime Week and in particular supporting Operation Safe Pass, which is jointly run alongside the British Horse Society who work on road safety. The funding would support Surrey Police horse riders riding in area which have seen accidents in the past and when they are passed inappropriately by a vehicle they get stopped further down the road by traffic. They can then be offered a ticket or education by the BHS which consists of a Virtual Reality headset of riding a horse and being on a road and passed inappropriately.

Surrey County Council – LGBT+ Conference

To award Surrey County Council £400 towards a LGBT+ Conference to be held in February 2020. The aim of the conference is to share good practice relating to inclusion, empowerment and resilience, considering ways of tackling health inequalities, to understand the rise of homo/bi/transphobia and

its impact on LGBT+ young people, to understand the perspectives of LGBT+ young people in provision of these services and give staff increased confidence in meeting the needs of LGBT+ young people. Many LGBT+ people still face prejudice and discrimination based on their sexual orientation or gender identity or perceived identity. Through the conference professionals can educate the professionals who are working with young people then they can pave the way for LGBT+ young people to be confident in who they are and have a sense of belonging and a good sense of self-worth. In doing so we make our communities safer for young people to be who they are, feel more confident to access services as themselves, and to report hate crime/incidents when they have faced them.

Recommendation

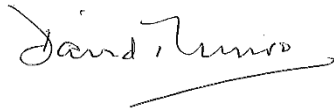
The Commissioner supports the core service applications and small grants applications to the Community Safety Fund and awards to the following;

- £1,500 to Surrey Police for Operation Squadron
- £3,000 to The Matrix Trust for the Youth Hubs
- £2,000 to Freedom Leisure for the Friday Night Project
- £1,400 to Surrey Police for Rural Crime week
- £400 to Surrey County Council for a LGBT+ Conference

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

Signature:



Date: 3rd October 2019

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 confirm the organisation hold accurate financial information. They are also asked to include 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/ Community Safety and Victims policy officers 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 and policy officers 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.