Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey - Decision Making Record

Report Title: Covid-19 Fund Applications

Decision number: 013/2020

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Protective Marking: OFFICIAL

Executive Summary: The PCC has made available an additional £500,000 to support existing providers with their additional costs caused as a direct result of the Covid-19 pandemic

Background

The following organisations have applied for assistance from the Coronavirus Support Fund;

Catalyst – sum requested £2000

The Catalyst outreach teams are finding that they are needing to support clients by buying items to support them e.g. PPE, essential food drops and pay-as- you –go phones or paying for phone credit all of which are really helping keep in contact with people. They are also looking into helping people stay on top of paying bills etc.

York Road Project – sum requested £8000

YRP need to deliver their services 7 days a week and are therefore requesting support for Saturday day time staffing costs. They don't currently open during the day on Saturdays and to provide a 24hour service need to fund 2 experienced workers all day. They predict they will need (including on costs) £500 per day.

The Amber Foundation – sum requested £2165.71

The Amber Foundation, in trying to keep their residential facility running as normal, have had to invest in PPE items such as face masks and infection control training, re-usable crockery, additional linen and cleaning materials.

Circles South East – sum requested £7439

Circles South East have requested funding for additional IT equipment, mobile phones, communications software and training costs for new IT equipment.

The Forward Trust – sum requested £1000

The Forward Trust plan to purchase mobile phones and sim cards for the additional clients they will receive as a result of prison releases.

Elmbridge Rentstart – sum requested £4173

Elmbridge Rentstart wish to purchase laptops and other equipment to enable their staff to work from home.

Recommendation:

That the Police & Crime Commissioner awards the sums requested to the above mentioned organisations totalling £24,777.71

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

Signature:

Date: 14/04/2020

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.