## Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Report Title: Community Safety Fund – August to October Applications

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## **Executive Summary:**

The Community Safety Fund has been allocated to Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) to support them in the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan for Surrey. For the financial year 2013/14 the PCC for Surrey has been allocated £659,000 of which £509,000 has all been made available for applications from bodies that can support the PCC in his work.

For June to August the PCC received sixteen applications totalling £207,415.50. Twelve applications have been recommended for approval, seven are for countywide projects, with the remaining focusing on the boroughs of Spelthorne (2), Runnymede (2) and Guildford.

## **Applications**

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

### Surrey Police - Contest Workshop

£1500 has been awarded to the Surrey Police Prevent team to run a workshop for partner organisations to raise awareness of the national counter-terrorism strategy, specifically focusing on right-wing extremism. Since the killing of Drummer Lee Rigby there has been an increase in the reporting of hate crimes and community tensions especially within schools and colleges.

This application was approved as it has clear links to zero tolerance policing and supports front-line professionals to respond to risks. Invoices for the venue will be requested and the number of audience members and the organisation they represent will be monitored.

## Safe Drive, Stay Alive

This is a road safety initiative that is delivered to all 16-19 year olds across the county. The performance includes a film along with personal testimonies from police, fire and ambulance personnel who have had to deal with fatal RTC's and also a parent who lost their child. The film has become dated and requires modernising; £10,000 has been awarded to contribute towards the overall cost of producing this.

This project was supported as it supports the Home Office criteria of reducing anti-social behaviour; it makes young people aware of the consequences of their actions and decisions. Delivery of the film and the audience participation rate will be monitored as part of the forces on-going road safety initiatives.

## New Haw Library CCTV

£568 was awarded to New Haw Library to install two internal and two external CCTV cameras. The aim of the cameras is to prevent anti-social behaviour both outside the library and within the library directed towards staff. The cameras also aim to deter thefts from the

library. This meets the PCC criteria of zero tolerance and also to a lesser extent protecting victims. It also meets the Home Office criteria of reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.

A sign will be put up outside the library to highlight the zero tolerance approach being taken.

## Surrey Drug and Alcohol Care (SDAC)

SDAC is commissioned by Surrey County Council, Public Health to provide treatment, advice and guidance to substance misusers and their families. £3000 has been awarded to enable SDAC to raise their profile by using radio advertisements to draw people's attention to the service available. This project will help to target drug and alcohol misuse. It also provides support to the families of substance misusers, many of whom have been victimised.

SDAC will provide statistics on the number of call received to their helpline to monitor the success of radio advertising.

## Eikon Charity

The Eikon charity works with 11-19 year olds who are facing harsh social circumstances. They provide on-going mentoring to help young people turn their lives around to contribute positively to society. The project has been awarded £1670 to provide wrap-around mentoring to follow on from YES+ workshops to reinforce the learning that has taken place by providing positive role-models. The charity aims to ensure that young people at risk of offending do not commit an offence or become involved in anti-social behaviour.

Eikon have a 'social impact tracker' that measures both hard and soft outcomes, post programme evaluation will be available from March 2014.

## Drive Smarter, Drive Longer

Epsom and Ewell Casualty Reduction Team in partnership with Age UK have requested £626.97 to facilitate a presentation aimed at the boroughs drivers aged over 65. The presentation discusses issues facing older drivers such as confidence, and also introduces alternative help for senior drivers, the aim being to reduce road traffic collisions.

Money has been awarded with the proviso that the learning is used to develop this into a county-wide programme.

Statistics and success with be drawn from the attendance figures and feedback from attendees will be monitored.

#### KAG - Being Assertive

KAG have requested £5000 to develop DVDs showing people with learning disabilities being targeted and then responding assertively. The scenarios will be acted out by service users and will help them to learn the difference between anger and assertiveness. The project supports vulnerable people and aims to prevent them from becoming victims of crime. The film will also educate carers and staff on the support services available to encourage victims to report a crime.

The impact of the DVD will be measured through questionnaires, interviews, forums and reporting of crimes.

## Mill Farm Avenue Neighbourhood Watch

Surrey Neighbourhood Watch has worked with Surrey Police to set up a new watch in a small area that has been targeted by burglars. £262.40 has been requested to purchase NHW Street signs to raise awareness of the scheme, showing visible that the area is taking a zero tolerance approach. The money will also cover the rental of a hall in order to properly launch the scheme and provide crime prevention advice to local residents.

The main outcome is the prevention of crime and disorder in this area.

## Spelthorne Junior Citizen

£350 has been requested to cover the cost of replacing the radios in order to successfully run the scheme. In awarding the funding, the OPCC are requesting that the radios are used more widely than just the borough of Spelthorne. The project promotes social and personal responsibility and concepts of citizenship thereby reducing ASB.

The effectiveness and impact of the scheme is measured through responses from pupils, teachers and scheme sponsors.

## Oakleaf - Social Activities Programme

This charity provides vocational training for people in South West Surrey with mental illness. Oakleaf propose to run a programme of social activities aimed at addressing issues of social isolation, poverty, unemployment and discrimination. Increasing the confidence of vulnerable and marginalised members of the community aims to reduce the risk of them being victimised or targeted. £3861 will be used to help the service users to learn to socialise safely, and not become victims of crime or ASB.

The impact of this programme of activities will be measured using the Recovery Star assessment tool and client surveys.

#### **Parents Protect**

£15,500 awarded to the Lucy Faithfull Foundation to run Parent Protect, an education programme aimed at parents and carers. The Parents Protect session provides practical information to equip parents and carers with the knowledge they need to protect children from sexual harm, including sexual exploitation. Parents Protect enables adults to understand potential risks and how to mitigate them, recognise the signs of possible abuse in children as well as inappropriate behaviour in adults and know where to go for help.

## Runnymede Community Safety Partnership

£1000 has been awarded to the CSP to enable to production of leaflets aimed at raising awareness of fraud and financial scams taking place across the borough. This supports the zero tolerance approach as well as protecting vulnerable people from becoming victims of crime.

Invoices will be provided to show the cost of producing the leaflets.

# Recommendation

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

- £1,500 to Surrey Police for a counter-terrorism workshop
- £10,000 to update the presentation for the Safe Drive, Stay Alive campaign
- £568 to New Haw Library to pay for CCTV

- £3,000 to Surrey Drug and Alcohol Care to run a radio campaign
- £1,670 to Eikon to provide mentoring to at-risk young people
- £626.97 to Surrey Police and Age UK for their Drive Smarter, Drive Longer project
- £5,000 to KAG to run their Being Assertive presentations to people with learning disabilities and their carer's.
- £262.40 to Spelthorne Neighbourhood Watch to increase their coverage.
- £350 to Spelthorne Junior Citizen to update their equipment.
- £3,861 to Oakleaf to provide a programme of activities for their clients.
- £1,000 to Runnymede Community Safety Partnership to prevent fraud and financial scams.
- £15,500 to the Lucy Faithful Foundation to run Parents Protect.

# **Police and Crime Commissioner Approval**

I approve the recommendation(s):

Signature:

Date: 31/10/13

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.