

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Community Safety Fund Applications – July 2019

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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 Core Service Awards over £5000

Surrey Search and Rescue – Enhanced Communication

To award Surrey Search and Rescue £9,825.12 towards digital VHF radios for their volunteer responders. The radios have significantly better range, clearer audio and GPS tracking so they are able to ensure the crews are safe when out searching for vulnerable missing people. Following the Panel requesting more information the Panel agreed to the revised application from Surrey Search and Rescue.

Applications for Grant Awards for multiple years – Community Safety Fund

Surrey Police – Operation Signature

To award Surrey Police £15,000 towards Operation Signature. The funding will support the employment of two vulnerable Fraud Caseworkers who will visit and support medium and high risk victims. The caseworkers will also engage with the community to raise the profile of fraud.

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

Surrey Police – Mounted Section

To award Surrey Police £2,000 towards the Surrey Mounted Police. These officers will be used in non-confrontational engagement, open search and security including deployment into arduous environments which are inaccessible to vehicles or closed to aviation due to inclement weather. Mounted are also able to provide assistance over rough terrain, search and rescue operations for high risk and vulnerable people and deployments in rural areas.

Surrey Police – SERV Blood Bikes

To award Surrey Police £1,200 towards funding the Bikesafe course for free to those volunteers who support the South East Regional Volunteers (SERV) Blood Bikes. The charity uses motorcycles as the primary means of delivering urgent blood stocks. The riders are required amongst other criteria, to be either Institute of Advanced Motorcyclists accredited or ROSPA to ensure a certain standard of riding. One of the criteria SERV like is for the riders to have completed a BikeSafe course with the Police. The funding would allow 20 volunteers to complete the BikeSafe Course.

Guildford Town Centre Chaplaincy – Guildford Street Angels

To award Guildford Town Centre Chaplaincy £5,000 towards the ongoing costs of continuing to deliver this project in Guildford Town Centre, to contribute to the cost of employing a part time co-ordinator. Our experienced part time co-ordinator is responsible for training, safeguarding, recruitment and volunteer management of 90 volunteers. Street Angels continue to be well known for their non-judgemental, caring and practical support - to the numerous people who become vulnerable on Guildford's streets, late on a weekend night, whatever the weather. At the end of the night we aim to enable people to get home safely - or to a place of safety. All these, and more, are Street Angel trademarks, affectionately known as the Fourth Emergency Service.

Recommendation

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

- £9,825 to Surrey Search and Rescue for additional radios
- £15,000 to Surrey Police to support Operation Signature
- £2,000 to Surrey Police for the Mounted Police Section
- £1,200 to Surrey Police to support SERV Blood Bikes
- £5,000 to Guildford Town Centre Chaplaincy to support Guildford Street Angels

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):



Signature:

Date: 17th July 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.