

**AGENDA ITEM 6(b)**

Essex Police and Crime Panel	<b>EPCP/15(b)/13</b>
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**Progress on allocating Community Safety Grants 2013/14**

Report by the Treasurer of the PCC to the Panel

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**1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1 To provide the Panel with a half year update on the progress of the PCC in allocating community safety grant monies.

**2. 2013/14 PCC budget and allocation of Community Safety Grants**

- 2.1 In total £2.893m of grant money is available to the PCC to allocate during 2013/14. At the last meeting of the PCP it was reported that £2.845m was allocated in the 2013/14 revenue budget for community safety funding. The increase of £48k is due to further force resources that have been classified as community grants.
- 2.2 The progress to date made in the PCC deciding to allocate funds is shown in Appendix 1. In total, £1.087m of grant monies have been spent and a further £1.422m either expected to be paid or agreed in principle. This amounts to over 86% of grant monies 'allocated' by the 30<sup>th</sup> September. Any funds not allocated by the end of the financial year will be carried forward into 2014/15.
- 2.3 Referring to each separate fund within the total sum of grant monies available:

***Community Safety Fund***

- 2.4 A Government grant of £1.246m was provided to the PCC to support the allocation of community safety grants during 2013/14. The government monies are retrospectively claimed each quarter. To date £1.236m has been allocated by the PCC largely to CSP's, drug and alcohol initiatives and the youth offending service. This fulfils the commitment made by the PCC to continue previous funding arrangements during this first year.
- 2.5 The success of these initiatives in contributing to the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan will be reviewed prior to budget decisions for 2014/15.

***Whole Essex Community Budgets***

- 2.6 The PCC's programme of promised financial support for the wider Essex County pathfinder initiatives has been delivered. The programmes for reducing re-offending, strengthening communities, domestic abuse (including the multi-agency safeguarding hub) are expected to make a strong and measurable contribution to the delivery of the Police & Crime Plan.
- 2.7 All of the initiatives are important but the one to highlight is the co-ordinated approach being taken by the PCC and partners in reducing the incidence and harm caused by domestic abuse.

### ***Force Grants to the PCC***

- 2.8 The level of available funds previously forming a part of the force budget, at £727k, represents a significant proportion of total grant monies available. The approach being taken by the PCC in his first year is to continue with existing arrangements albeit to understand the scope of services being provided in exchange for the contributions being made. To this end a structured programme of meetings has been arranged in order to ensure that services such as the Youth Offending Services and Safeguarding Boards are appropriately supported.

### ***New Initiative Fund***

- 2.9 There have been two separate waves of bidding for the New Initiatives Fund. Details of the successful bids are shown in Appendix 1 and 2.
- 2.10 The experience of engaging with a wide range of organisations and the associated administration has provided valued feedback and many learning points which will inform new arrangements for next year.
- 2.11 The CSP's and the wider Essex partnership have played a key role in the decision making process. This is highly valued and something that the PCC will continue to build on next year.

## **3. Integrity of Process**

- 3.1 The OPCC has worked with partners arrangements in place to ensure that the processes in place are transparent and comply with all legislative requirements. It is, however, acknowledged that improvements can be made. We will draw upon feedback received, such as the timescales allocated to the different parts of the decision making cycle and engagement with CSP's and other partners, to ensure that next year's practice builds upon the experiences of the first year.

### Progress made to date in the allocation of grant monies

## Appendix 1

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Budget £'000</b>	<b>Recipients</b>	<b>Allocation £'000</b>
Community Safety Fund Plus reinstatement of CSF shortfall	1,246  130	Payments made: i) 14 Community Safety Partnerships ii) Victims Support iii) Essex Drug & Alcohol Action Team (EDAAT) Westminster drugs project iv) EDAAT – Choices contract v) Drugs Intervention Programme – Southend vi) Drugs Intervention Programme – Thurrock vii) Positive Future youth engagement programme viii) Youth Offending Service Essex Sub-total – payments made  Subsequent payments/(agreed in principle): i) Victims support ii) EDAAT – Westminster iii) EDAAT – Choices iv) YOS - Essex v) (YOS – Southend) vi) (TOS – Thurrock) vii) DIP - Essex Police viii) DIP – Thurrock ix) (Chelsea Football Club Foundation) x) Firebreak xi) ROC Sub-total – agreed in principle  Fund remaining	  309 112  135 66 27 24 45 42 760     111 134 66 42 19 19 27 25 33 6 1 483  133
<b>Community safety total</b>	<b>1,376</b>		<b>1,376</b>
Whole Essex Community Budget	290	Payments made: i) Reducing re-offending ii) Strengthening Communities iii) Domestic Abuse iv) Strategic Resource Pool Sub-total – Payments made	  55  26 46 9 136

		Subsequent payments/agreed in principle:	
		i) Reducing re-offending	55
		ii) Strengthening Communities	26
		iii) Domestic Abuse	46
		iv) Strategic Resource Pool	9
		Sub-total – agreed in principle	136
		Fund remaining	18
<b>Whole Essex Community Budget total</b>	<b>290</b>		<b>290</b>
CSP's	86	Payments made:	
Youth Offending Service (YOS):		Youth Offending Service (YOS)	
Essex	166	- Essex	84
Southend	91		
Thurrock	62	Subsequent payments/( <i>agreed in principle</i> ):	
Neighbourhood Watch	7	i) YOS – Essex	84
Crime Stoppers	37	ii) (YOS – Southend)	91
Sexual Assault Referral Clinic (SARC)	88	iii) (YOS – Thurrock)	62
		iv) Neighbourhood Watch	10
		v) Crime Stoppers	25
Local Safeguarding Children's Board:		vi) (SARC)	88
- Essex	66	vii) Local Safeguarding Children's Board:	
- Southend	13	- Essex	66
- Thurrock	15	- Southend	13
		- Thurrock	15
Vulnerable Adults Protection Committee:		viii) Vulnerable Adults Protection Committee:	
- Essex	58	- Essex	58
- Essex DA Co-ordinator	10	- Essex DA Co-ordinator	10
- Southend	15	- Southend	15
- Thurrock	13	- Thurrock	13
	10	ix) ( <i>Victims Support</i> )	10
Victims Support		x) ( <i>Specials</i> )	40
		xi) Community Messaging System	20
		Sub total	620
		Fund remaining	23
<b>Force grants to PCC total</b>	<b>727</b>		<b>727</b>
New Initiative Fund	500	See Appendix 2:	
		Wave 1:	
		i) Payments made	107
		ii) Subsequent payments/agreed in principle	128
		Wave 2:	

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		iii) Payments made	-
		iv) Subsequent payments/agreed in principle	55
		Fund remaining	210
<b>New Initiative Fund total</b>	<b>500</b>		<b>500</b>
		i) Payments made	<b>1,087</b>
		ii) Subsequent payments/agreed in principle	<b>1,422</b>
		iii) Fund remaining	<b>384</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2,893</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2,893</b>

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## New Initiative Fund - Grants Awarded/ (Agreed in Principle) Appendix 2

Applicant	Idea	Amount
<b>YOUTH OFFENDING</b>		
Essex Youthbuild	To provide a short 5 week taster maintenance course to young offenders or those at risk of offending	10,906
Essex Boys & Girls Club	Deliver 4 diversionary boxing projects aimed at 11-19 year olds who are NEET (not in employment, education or training) or at high risk of becoming NEET	8,550
Family Solutions – West Essex	Pilot Family Boot Camp Day at Lambourne End where ASB is a major factor. Parents and children involved in workshops to those families currently in the Family Solutions Service	£4,000
Only Cowards Carry	Training programme on weapons awareness and the consequences targeted at primary, secondary schools & young adults via presentations, videos and printed literature.	£5,000
Wakering Young People's Community Project	Activities for young people during school holidays.	£10,000
Witham Boys Brigade	Pilot to run a sports engagement programme for young people. Build self-confidence, engagement and create routes into education	£6,044
ATF	<i>To provide football training sessions for ex-offenders and young offenders who have been through the IOM section at Southend Probation Services, in addition to those referred from the Homeless resource Action Project.</i>	£5,400
Basildon Borough Council	<i>1 year pilot project involving performing art engaging with young people who are in danger of offending or committing ASB, steering them away from crime.</i>	£12,600
Friends of Abandoned Dogs	<i>To provide volunteering opportunities to ex-offenders not ready for mainstream volunteering.</i>	£2,300
Total		£64,800
<b>ALCOHOL &amp; DRUGS</b>		
Essex DAAT	RiskAvert Programme for young vulnerable people from complex families	£18,040
57 West	Fund a community worker to train volunteers, co-ordinate weekly activities e.g. drop in for young people, offer educational awareness of drug/alcohol	£10,895
Safer Chelmsford Partnership	<i>A 3 month research project that will consider the impact of Chelmsford's night time economy on the emergency services, with the evidence used to inform the decision around the requirement of an SOS bus, or equivalent.</i>	£5,000
Argos/ Open Road	<i>To provide training and subsequent employment for up to 12 individuals who have been through the CJS and received treatment through the Open Road rehabilitation programme</i>	£16,800
Total		£50,735
<b>CRIME PREVENTION</b>		
Maldon CSP	<i>Project targeted for 60 young people for 12 weeks. Diversionary activities to address ASB</i>	£5,640
Epping Forest CSP	'Operation Home Safe' pilot initiative targeting estate agents/burglary dwelling hot spot areas. Circulate Home Safe packs to estate agent to give out to new home owners on completion of sale	£1,485
Epping Forest CSP	'Crucial Crew event for older people focussing on crime prevention in and out of their home.	£2,800

Castle Point & Rochford CVS	'Befriending Service-Safer Homes, Safer Lives. Up skill existing volunteers, funding for additional training	£6,653
Basildon Borough Council	Organise 3x1 day seminars for 90 community safety practitioners outlining new tools/powers for ASB	£2,985
Saffron Walden Street Pastors	To establish a Street Pastor group in Saffron Walden	£1,250
<i>Support 4 Sight</i>	<i>Project launch the 'sighted guiding &amp; Road Safety for Visually Impaired People', which includes mobility instruction and road safety training.</i>	<i>£5,040</i>
Total		£25,853
<b>VICTIMS</b>		
Southend Association of Voluntary Services	10 month pilot programme 'Safe as Houses' home visits targeting elderly vulnerable residents following a series of incidents. Achieve safer neighbourhood	£18,685
<b>DOMESTIC ABUSE</b>		
<i>Braintree DC</i>	<i>'Pilot Domestic Abuse 'Cut it Out' campaign in hairdressers/beauty salons for female victims and their children. Deliver a series of training events plus posters, information cards and contact details</i>	<i>£3,290</i>
<i>Daisy Project</i>	<i>Experienced practitioner to provide training and build awareness - link with Daisy Maternity and Daisy A&amp;E. Training to clinical staff, support &amp; advice to midwives and take referrals. Provide training to A&amp;E clinicians to increase awareness and refer to the Daisy Practitioner who can risk assess an data input.</i>	<i>£50,000</i>
Colchester & Tendring Women's Refuge	To place an IDVA trained domestic violence support worker in Chelmsford HQ DA Hub (MASH).	£26,480
Basildon's Women's Aid	Increase qualified DA Support Worker in the Hub, for those at high risk & provide support to victims at risk.	£27,620
<i>Victim Support</i>	<i>Provide a specialist service for people who have been victims of sexual violence</i>	<i>£15,000</i>
Total		£122,390
<b>ROAD SAFETY</b>		
Essex County Council	<i>Pilot scheme to increase the level of enforcement - cycling on pavements/shopping centers 'Bikeability course.</i>	<i>£5,000</i>
Essex County Council	<i>Let's Look Out campaign. Raise awareness for motorists/cyclists.</i>	<i>£3,000</i>
Total		£8,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>£290,463</b>