



## REPORT TO THE WARWICKSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

### Community Safety Grants Scheme

#### 1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide members of the Police and Crime Panel with an update on the Commissioner's Community Grant Scheme for 2014-15.

#### 2.0 Commissioner's Grant Scheme

- 2.1 This update highlights the process followed to evaluate all applications to me for grants during 2014-15, which projects were successful and how the scheme will be committing funds for 2015-16.

#### 2.2 Overview

I have allocated £959,000 to enable organisations across Warwickshire to deliver community safety projects which address Crime and Disorder in the county. The OPCC received 87 applications for the grant scheme 2014-15. The total value of the applications was £1,797,980. I am pleased to support 49 projects totalling £1,129,491. Additional suitable funding sources were identified to enable me to support a wide range of projects. The total value of the awards made for 2014-15 are highlighted in Table 1, which splits the allocations of grants made based on available funding sources.

<b>Total awards for Commissioner's grants 2014-15</b>	<b>Year 1 awarded</b>
<b>Total of PCC grants.</b>	<b>£915,103</b>
<b>Total allocated against mediation and hate crime - not awarded to projects at the current time.</b>	<b>£30,000</b>
<b>Total from victim commissioning grant.</b>	<b>£80,668</b>
<b>Total awards from Rural, Cyber and Business crime fund.</b>	<b>£103,720</b>
<b>Grand total of allocations for the PCC.</b>	<b>£1,129,491</b>

**Table 1: Summary of PCC grant awards 2014-15.**

A full list of awards made per locality area is attached as **Appendix A**.

## 2.3 Evaluating Applications and the Decision Making Process

All applications were evaluated using a standardised template, which scored the applications on a range of criteria (see **Appendix B**).

CSPs submitted an action plan backed up by their strategic assessment. County and third sector bodies submitted a standard application form. Clarification meetings between bidders and members of the OPCC took place, in order to seek further information from bidders on aspects of their bids, so that they were clearly understood. Evaluated projects were presented to the Deputy PCC and myself, for consideration.

A range of funding options were drawn up which enabled me to agree the final allocation. This option has enabled me to retain a contingency fund for emerging issues that may develop throughout the year.

## 2.4 Additional Funding Sources Identified

The PCC is allocated funding from the Ministry of Justice to commission Victim Services for Warwickshire. The decision was made to use some of the funding from 2014-15 allocation to support bids which met the Victim Services criteria. In this way six projects were funded, equating to £80,668.

Bill Longmore and I have agreed a Joint Annual Cyber, Business and Rural Crime Fund of £1,500,000. This funding as previously reported was established to enable both Forces to deliver Alliance wide projects to address these emerging priorities.

While evaluating the Warwickshire applications for the Commissioner's Grant, I have decided to allocate funding from the Cyber, Business and Rural Crime Fund for the following projects:-

<b>Cyber Crime Funding</b>			<b>Year 1 Awarded</b>	<b>Year 2 Requested</b>
County Wide	WCC – Trading Standards	Tackling Cyber Crime	£50,000.00	£0.00
<b>Total for Cyber Crime</b>			<b>£50,000.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>
<b>Rural Crime Funding</b>			<b>Year 1 Awarded</b>	<b>Year 2 Requested</b>
County Wide	Warwickshire Horse Watch	Horse Watch	£1,516.00	£0.00
North Warks	WCC Community Safety Project Officers	Reducing Rural Crime	£23,350.00	£23,350.00
South Warks	Community Safety Partnership	Rural Crime	£28,854.00	£20,354.00
<b>Total for Rural Crime</b>			<b>£53,720.00</b>	<b>£43,704.00</b>

Table 2: Projects Funded from the Rural, Cyber and Business Crime Fund

## 2.5 Identified gaps

I am mindful that some services will need to be commissioned, as there are identified gaps within the Community Safety field. One identified gap is Warwickshire's current level of provision for Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVA) and Independent Sexual Violence Advisors (ISVA). Over the coming months I will be working with partners to address this gap and will allocate funding accordingly.

I have also reserved funding against two work areas, Mediation and Hate Crime. The OPCC is working with the Mediation provider and Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) to ensure that the best service is made available to Warwickshire residents. Discussions are ongoing.

Most of the Hate Crime applications to the PCC grant scheme will be enhanced or superseded by research which Birmingham University has been commissioned to be undertaken by WCC. Once this research is complete and a strategy has been developed, the bidding organisations in this area will be invited to work with partners to develop appropriate evidenced based projects.

Applications for a range of other projects continue to be received by the OPCC and where possible will be evaluated and if deemed appropriate supported either in 2014-15, or deferred until 2015-16.

## 2.6 Funding Allocations for 2015-16

The application process enabled all applicants to apply for a two-year period April 2014 – March 2016. Many applicants requested two-year funding resulting in the 2015-16 allocation already being subscribed to £909,587.

CSPs base their work on the evidence and recommendations in their Strategic Assessments. This results in CSPs not being in a position to request full funding and publish their action plans until early in 2015. I aim to award as many grants as possible in the near future, while being mindful that CSP action plans will be submitted at a later date and new / emerging priorities will need addressing.

## 2.7 Summary

I was delighted to support projects across a wide range of crime and disorder areas of work, which will benefit Warwickshire residents. The projects will assist in reducing crime and disorder in the County and meet some of the priorities in the Police and Crime Plan. Progress of each project will be formally monitored by the OPCC on a quarterly basis, to ensure delivery and maximise outcomes. The grant process represented a significant challenge to the OPCC in terms of the resources required to advertise, assess and allocate the funds.

## Appendices

Appendix A – Police and Crime Commissioner Grants 2014-16

Appendix B – Evaluation of Commissioner's Grant Application

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## Police and Crime Commissioner's Grants 2014-16

### County wide allocations

Name of organisation	Name of project	Year 1 granted	Year 2 requested
Warwickshire County Council	DAAT Support	£63,500	£63,500
Warwickshire County Council	Compass	£33,000	£33,000
Warwickshire County Council	Drug Intervention Programme	£125,000	£125,000
Warwickshire Observatory	Community Safety Partnership Analysts	£46,500	£46,500
Integrated Offender Management	Co-ordinator	£0	£82,976
Integrated Offender Management	Domestic Abuse Manager	£36,400	£36,400
Warwickshire Probation Trust	Domestic Abuse Administrator	£11,865	£12,102
Warwickshire Youth Justice Service	Substance misuse reduction	£74,000	£74,000
All Community Safety Partnerships	Futures Unlocked	£130,000	£130,000
Total for Warwickshire wide Statutory organisations.		£520,265	£603,478
ROSA	ROSA admin	£14,025	£14,075
Safeline	Breaking the cycle of crime and Abuse	£14,902	£14,902
Neighbourhood watch	Core funding	£19,850	£0
Crimestoppers	Anti-crime initiative	£16,350	£0
Total for Warwickshire wide Voluntary groups		£65,127	£28,977

## District Allocations

### North Warwickshire

Name of organisation	Name of project	Year 1 granted	Year 2 requested
North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Domestic Abuse Intervention and Counselling Support	£7,000	
North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Bike team	£2,700	
North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Atherstone Hang out-addressing ASB	£16,460	
North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Community Safety Projects	£3,000	
Total for North Warwickshire CSP		£29,160	£0
Values for life	Helping hands also working in Nuneaton and Bedworth	£14,780	£14,780
WCAVA	BEATS	£13,840	
Total for North Warwickshire CSP		£28,620	£14,780

### Nuneaton and Bedworth

Name of organisation	Name of project	Year 1 granted	Year 2 requested
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	ASB Fast Response	£26,000	£26,000
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	ASB intervention team	£13,650	£13,650
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	Mobile CCTV	£8,510	£8,510
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	Dob em in	£9,768	£9,768
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	Reducing Repeat Burglaries	£3,000	
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	Alcohol Intervention	£9,800	
Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Safety Partnership	Domestic Homicide review	£3,000	£3,000
Total for Nuneaton and Bedworth CSP		£73,728	£60,928
Nuneaton and Bedworth Leisure Trust	Street Sports	£15,089	£15,089
DAC's- Domestic Abuse Counselling service	Removing the block to change-also working with Atherstone residents	£19,708	£19,708
Wembrook community centre	Aspire2Engage	£9,587	£14,380
DAC's- Domestic Abuse Counselling service	Effective Early	£15,964	£15,964
Sycamore Counselling Service	Anger Awareness	£9,069	£12,470
Total for Nuneaton and Bedworth Voluntary sector		£69,417	£77,611

## Rugby

Name of organisation	Name of project	Year 1 granted	Year 2 requested
Rugby Community Safety Partnership	Partnership plan to address Violence, ASB, Reducing reoffending, Serious Acquisitive crime and Road Safety.	£35,000	
Rugby Community Safety Partnership	Brownsover CCTV	£4,000	
Rugby Community Safety Partnership	Gangs and vulnerable young people	£20,000	£20,000
<b>Total for Rugby CSP</b>		<b>£59,000</b>	<b>£20,000</b>
Rugby Street Pastors	Rugby Street Pastors	£5,490	£5,490
Bradby Youth Club	Prevention of exploitation, abuse and violence against young people esp. Girls and young women	£18,000	£0
Hill Street Youth Club	Hill St community action project	£15,000	
<b>Total for Rugby Voluntary sector</b>		<b>£38,490</b>	<b>£5,490</b>

## South Warwickshire

Name of organisation	Name of project	Year 1 granted	Year 2 requested
South Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Going Out and Staying safe	£69,439	
South Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Deliberate Small Fires	£4,050	
South Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership	Geared Up and First Gear	£8,000	
<b>Total for South Warwickshire CSP Voluntary sector</b>		<b>£81,489</b>	<b>£0</b>
Sydenham Neighbourhood Initiatives (SYDNI)	Youth Music Engagement Programme	£9,620	
Bromford Support	Stratford Link Project	£13,236	
Sky Blues in the Community	On Target	£7,620	£7,620
<b>Total for South Warwickshire</b>		<b>£30,476</b>	<b>£7,620</b>

## Evaluation of Commissioner's Grant Application

<b>Organisation</b>		
<b>WCC/ CSP/ Voluntary</b>		
<b>Name of Project and Total Grant Money Applied For</b>		
<b>Brief Summary of Initiative</b> (including objectives, outcomes, area(s) of impact, one or two year funding)		
<b>Application Process Fully Complied With?</b>		<b>YES / NO</b>
1.	Contributes to securing crime and disorder and ASB reduction in Warwickshire?  Directly / Indirectly Rationale:	/ 5
2.	Contributes to the delivery of objectives set out in the Warwickshire Police and Crime Plan?  Directly / Indirectly Rationale:	/ 5
3.	Does the initiative benefit communities within the Warwickshire Police Force area?	<b>YES / NO</b>
4.	Does it contribute to the Community Safety Partnership's priorities for 2014/15? Does it contribute to the county wide Community Safety Agreement for 2014/15?  Directly / Indirectly Impact in a particular CSP area? Rationale:	/ 5
5.	If this is a Voluntary Sector bid is it supported by the local CSP or WCC?	<b>YES / NO</b>
6.	Does the application involve any match funding to support the bid?  If so how much match funding?	<b>YES / NO</b>
7.	Does the initiative directly impact on the levels of crime and disorder and ASB in any of the three policing priority areas? Rationale:	/ 10



8.	If the application is a continuation of an existing initiative how successful has it been to date? Has clear evidence been provided by the bidder to prove the success of the initiative? Rationale:	<b>YES / NO</b>
9.	Does the application have a clear exit strategy should the funding be withdrawn in the future?	<b>YES / NO</b>
10.	Does the application contain a clear description of how the initiative will be monitored and evaluated to ensure that the desired outcomes are achieved? Rationale:	<b>/ 5</b>
<b>Policy Officer's Recommendation and Total Score</b> (Provide rationale, include VFM, has the bidder provided a sound evidence base in support of their application?)		<b>/ 30</b>
<b>Suggested Improvements to Initiative</b>		
<p><b>Excluded applications</b> Note: The Commissioner's Grant will not fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities that simply aim to raise additional funds for a charity or good cause.</li> <li>• Activity, materials or equipment that will be used for the sole purpose of making a profitable income for an individual or organisation.</li> <li>• Events that have already taken place, or items that have already been purchased before the grant offer is accepted.</li> </ul>		
<b>Record of Contact with Bidders</b>		
<p><b>Commissioner's Evaluation:</b></p> <p><b>Application supported</b></p> <p><b>Rationale</b></p> <p><b>Signed by Commissioner .....</b></p> <p><b>Date ..... 2014</b></p>		<b>YES / NO</b>