

REPORT

From: The Warwickshire Safer Communities Partnership (WSCP)

To: The Warwickshire Public Service Board (PSB)

Date: 8th August 2007

Impact of reduced pooled grant (Safer and Stronger Communities Funding) on Safer Block Delivery Plan and the potential impact on the ability to meet the LAA outcomes

1. On the 14th June 2007, Warwickshire was informed that its SSCF revenue budget for 07/08 was being reduced from £679,118 to £583,664, (a reduction 14.06% which equates to £95,454).

2. A WSCP task and finish group met on the 4th July to discuss how the funding shortfall could be addressed. The group made the following recommendations:
 - (i) That £35,816 be contributed from the Warwickshire County Council (WCC) Community Safety budget to support the financing of the 07/08 SSCF Delivery Plan

 - (ii) That £13,856 of the SSCF under spend from 06/07 be allocated to the financing of the 07/08 SSCF Delivery Plan

 - (iii) That Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) allocations be reduced by £45,782 in 07/08

	Planned	Reduction	Revised
Stratford CDRP	£81,882	£8,698	£73,184
Warwick CDRP	£93,857	£10,530	£83,327
Rugby CDRP	£81,882	£8,698	£73,184
Nun & Bed CDRP	£93,857	£10,530	£83,327
North Warks CDRP	£72,904	£7,326	£65,578
<i>Totals</i>	£424,382	£45,782	£378,600

3. The WSCP task and finish group also recommended that the remaining £45K of LPSA2 Crime Reduction pump priming funding be allocated as follows:

LPSA2 Funding	Allocated to:	Purpose
£30,000	Warwickshire Police	Burglary reduction
£7,000	Nun & Bed CDRP	Burglary reduction
£4,000	Rugby CDRP	Burglary reduction
£4,000	North Warks CDRP	Burglary reduction
£45,000 in total		

4. The LPSA2 allocations to Nuneaton & Bedworth, Rugby and North Warwickshire CDRPs were recommended having regard to their original SSCF revenue investments in domestic burglary reduction initiatives and their current levels of recorded domestic burglary. The LPSA2 allocations mitigated the effects of the reduced SSCF revenue allocations on these three CDRPs.
6. The above task and finish group recommendations were subsequently accepted by the five Warwickshire CDRPs and have since been approved by the WSCP.
7. Following the approval of the above recommendations by WSCP, CDRPs will be requested to submit revised SSCF delivery plans. Once these delivery plans have been received, details of the funding reduction impact can be assessed. A further report will be submitted to the PSB after this assessment has taken place.

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Chair of WSCP

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