

ORIGINATOR: LIZ HOLLINGWORTH

DECISION NUMBER: 24-2015

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION

SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

**SUBJECT: AWARD OF CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION GRANT –
NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST: IMPROVED CCTV AT ORFORD QUAY**

SUMMARY:

1. The Police and Crime Commissioner can commission services that:
 - a) secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in Suffolk;
 - b) are intended to help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and anti-social behaviour.This is in accordance with the provisions in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. In applying this provision, the PCC will ensure that the services commissioned are also consistent with the Suffolk Police and Crime Plan 2013 – 2017.
2. Following discussions between the OPCC and New Orford Town Trust this report seeks approval to award a Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant of £2,660 to install improved CCTV at Orford Quay.
3. The funding will enable crime and disorder reduction activity focussing on the Police and Crime Plan objective to support effective community safety and crime prevention activity.
4. The original application is included alongside this decision paper.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the PCC approves a grant of £2,660 to New Orford Town Trust from the PCC's Police and Crime Plan Fund.

APPROVAL BY: PCC

The recommendation set out is agreed.

Signature

Tina Pannone

Date *20/03/2015*

DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Police and Crime Commissioner can commission services that:
- a) secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in Suffolk;
 - b) are intended to help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and anti-social behaviour.
- This is in accordance with the provisions in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. In applying this provision, the PCC will ensure that the services commissioned are also consistent with the Suffolk Police and Crime Plan 2013 – 2017.
- 1.2 This report seeks approval to award a Crime and Reduction Disorder Grant of £2,660 to New Orford Town Trust to install improved CCTV at Orford Quay. This decision paper should be read alongside the original application (Appendix A).

2. ORGANISATION AND ACTIVITY

- 2.1 New Orford Town Trust is a charity which owns and manages a number of assets on behalf of the inhabitants Orford. The Trust owns Orford Quay, riverside plots, a boat storage area and the car park at the Quay.
- 2.2 The current CCTV at Orford Quay is outdated and the Trust wishes to upgrade to a better system with greater capability, storage and the ability to be monitored remotely.
- 2.3 There is increasing concern from local residents and businesses that the remote quay area is susceptible to criminal activity and whilst the Trust consider that CCTV has been a deterrent to petty theft in the area in the past they would like to further reduce crime in the riverside area.
- 2.4 Furthermore, the Trust is also aware that Orford Quay has been used to land illegal immigrants in the past and the Quay warden liaises regularly with UK Border Force officials to prevent, detect and prosecute such activity. A successful prosecution in October 2014 was assisted by the Quay Warden and original footage from the CCTV system.
- 2.3 Installation of improved CCTV at Orford Quay will deliver on the Police and Crime Plan objective to support effective community safety or crime prevention activity. The activity also contributes to the PCC's aim to support the local economy, tourism and police waterways more effectively.
- 2.4 The project will report to the PCC on the outcomes of the project after a 12 month period and will monitor:
- crime figures in the locality to assess crime reduction;
 - evidence of where CCTV has helped in detection or prevention of crime and disorder;
 - feedback from local residents, businesses and partners including the police and UK Border Force on their perception of safety and the impact of improved CCTV.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 3.1 Funding of £2,660 is being applied for to cover purchase and installation of improved CCTV including hardware, software and installation.
- 3.2 Evidence of spend will be made available together with outcomes as part of the monitoring process

4. MISCELLANEOUS CONDITIONS OF AWARD

- 4.1 The following conditions will apply should a grant be awarded.
 - (i) The fund will be allocated to projects, initiatives or events in Suffolk which support the objectives set out in the [Police & Crime Plan](#);
 - (ii) All grants are one-off payments that can be used to pump-prime a project or pay for a one-off event;
 - (iii) The PCC is not be responsible for any on-going costs associated the project/initiative;
 - (iv) In normal circumstances the funding will not be made available to support staff salaries, core business activities, overheads/costs associated with business administration or capital projects of the recipient;
 - (v) Projects approved under this process should be completed in the financial year 2014/15 and only in exceptional circumstances will a carry-forward be agreed;
 - (vi) The award must only be used for the purpose set out in the application or as approved in writing by the PCC. The PCC must be notified as soon as reasonably practicable if the organisation ceases operation, the project does not go ahead, or if an underspend is forecast. All underspends must be returned to the PCC;
 - (vii) By accepting the award the recipient makes a commitment to acknowledge the PCC's support publically and must acknowledge the PCC in all promotional work, as well as display the PCC's logo in all publicity associated with the initiative;
 - (viii) All recipients of funding will be expected to provide information on outcomes, including a written summary on how the project supported objectives in the Police & Crime Plan (a monitoring form will be made available to help with this process). The PCC also reserves the right to hold the recipient to account at the Accountability & Performance Panel;
 - (ix) The award may not be used to support or promote political or religious activity.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS:

- 5.1 There are no major implications or risks associated with this decision paper.

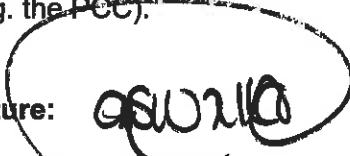
ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)	PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	Yes
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	Yes
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	Yes
Have human resource implications been considered?	N/A
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	Yes
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	Yes
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	Yes
Have all relevant ethical factors been taken into consideration in developing this submission?	Yes

In relation to the above, please ensure that all relevant issues have been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO THE DECISION-MAKER (this approval is required only for submissions to the PCC).

for and on behalf of:
Chief Executive

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the (add decision-maker's title e.g. the PCC).

Signature:  Date 16/3/2015.



CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION GRANTS

Introduction

The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) can award Crime and Disorder Reduction grants where he believes it will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in Suffolk and delivery of the Police and Crime Plan.

The Safer Suffolk Fund has been created by the PCC to support the work of voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations that help to make Suffolk a safer place in which to live, work, travel and invest. The fund is administered by Suffolk Community Foundation (SCF) on behalf of the PCC. For more information and guidance on how to make an application please contact SCF on 01473 602602 or go to: <http://www.suffolkcf.org.uk/grants/safer-suffolk-foundation/>

In exceptional circumstances the PCC may also award grants direct from his office (e.g. where the applicant does not satisfy the criteria for the Safer Suffolk Fund). Applications for grants under £3,500 can be made using the application form below. Awards of £3,500 and over will need to be supported by a full business case. Bids from statutory partners will need to be match funded. Further information can be obtained from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner to discuss. Tel: 01473 782773 /e-mail: spcc@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

APPLICATION FORM FOR CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION GRANT UP TO £3,500

Name of Organisation	NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST
Contact Name	KARA REED, CLERK
Project/event	INSTALLATION OF IMPROVED CCTV SYSTEM AT ORFORD QUAY
Date of event (if applicable)	ASAP

DETAILS OF GRANT APPLICATION

What are you seeking to achieve from undertaking this project/event?

Orford is a small village on the river Ore. New Orford Town Trust owns Orford Quay, various riverside plots, a boat storage area and a large car park. We currently have an outdated CCTV system at the Quay, which is of limited use because both hardware and software are out of date, and we wish to upgrade to a better system which would have: more cameras, with infra-red capability and fully covering a larger area than the current cameras; a larger hard drive to enable footage from the previous 30 days to be stored and accessed; the capability to be monitored remotely from a computer, tablet or smartphone.

How does this project/event support the objectives set out in the PCC's Police & Crime Plan?

A recent high-profile court case in Suffolk has seen 4 people jailed for people-trafficking. Under cover of darkness the group dropped off 5 illegal immigrants at Orford Quay, where Border Force officers and Immigration Enforcement Officers were waiting to arrest them. The group admitted that they had undertaken the run from Orford to London on seven previous occasions, and we believe that installation of a new CCTV system would help to reduce crime at the riverside area which is outside the centre of the village and has few permanent residents.

Since its installation, the current CCTV system has proved a deterrent for opportunist thieves. A new system would further our aim of continued crime prevention and would also discourage the use of Orford Quay as a drop-off point for illegal immigrants. A remote monitoring facility would mean that cameras can be viewed outside of working hours. Our Quay Warden already liaises regularly with UK Border Force officials and would continue to do so. We have been in touch with our local UK Border Force representatives who have confirmed that the proposed new system would be suitable for obtaining evidence which might prove useful to them, and which could be invaluable in their efforts to protect our border in what has proved to be a vulnerable spot. We believe that this new system would provide a benefit in helping to ensure that our borders are safe and assuring residents that an exposed area of the village is safer during the hours of darkness.

When do you expect to complete this project/event and what are the expected outcomes?

Benefits of a new system would be felt immediately. The aims are to further reduce the amount of petty crime around the Quay area, and to aid the relevant authorities with their efforts to ensure the safety of our borders and investigations into any breaches of it at Orford.

There is an expectation that all grants awarded must deliver clear and measurable outcomes. Please set out below the expected outcomes.

The expected outcome would be a continued low rate of crime in the area around the quay, together with the continued effective working relationship with Border Control.

Amount applied for £ 2659.56

Please provide a breakdown of costs:

Quote attached from GS Security, Ipswich

(please note that the New Orford Town Trust can reclaim part of the VAT payable which is why the amount above differs from that on the quote)