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**ORIGINATOR: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**DECISION NO.** 33-2015.

**REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION**

**SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

**SUBJECT: AWARD OF CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION GRANT – TOWN PASTORS**

**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. This report seeks approval to award a Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant to Town Pastors for the amount of £47,000 to contribute to delivering their service across Suffolk for the period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.
3. The funding will enable crime and disorder reduction activity focussing on the Police and Crime Plan objectives by preventing and reducing crime, creating a safer night-time economy, supporting vulnerable people and reducing the damaging effects of drugs and alcohol.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the PCC approves a grant of £47,000 to Town Pastors for the period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.

**APPROVAL BY THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

**Signature**

**Date** 29 June 2015

*Chief Executive  
On behalf of the PCC*

the incidents of public disorder and anti-social behaviour (ASB). In general terms public order offences in the NTEs across Suffolk are mostly 'Public fear, alarm or distress', around 70% of all public order incidents. It is difficult to establish a direct link between the work of the Town Pastors and a reduction in crime however Constabulary data from April 2010 to Jan 2015 indicates that there has been a decline in public place violent crime and public order offences during night-time economy hours in the main towns where the Town Pastors operate a service.

- 3.4 The Town Pastor final monitoring report for 2014/15 evidences that during the grant period there were nearly 23,000 interactions by Town Pastors, directly preventing and reducing crime on 258 occasions. Many of those situations involved Town Pastors caring for those involved in, or affected by drunkenness and anti-social behaviour. Due to the vast number of vulnerable people they support, it is likely that the Town Pastors have prevented people becoming victims and perpetrators of crime.
- 3.5 An evaluation of the scheme states "*Looking more closely at the cost of crime to individual agencies (Police, Criminal Justice System, NHS) one incident of 'violence against the person' is estimated to cost approximately £10,400, a 'serious wounding' incident is estimated to cost around £21,422, a wounding (serious and slight) approximately £8,850 and a serious sexual offence can cost £31,438. If the Town Pastors help prevent just one of each of these crimes they would of saved £72,110. From research and interviews with professionals dealing with NTE offences, it is estimated that in one year (2012) one scheme, Town Pastors may have prevented 254 incidents which were reported under Preventing/Reducing Crime, Personal Safety & Wellbeing and Medical Assistance*".

#### **4.0 OUTPUTS/OUTCOMES**

- 4.1 This grant award is made on the basis of financial and activity data being made available on a regular basis with a final report submitted to the PCC's Accountability and Performance Panel on or before 30 June 2016. The data should show the extent of Town Pastors activities by scheme area and provide high level information against the budget breakdown submitted to the PCC. The financial breakdown of how the grant is to be used and the data outputs and outcomes will be continually monitored throughout the period of the grant award.
- 4.2 The Conditions of Grant require that the Town Pastors will continue to evidence satisfaction with the service in a qualitative manner.

#### **5. MISCELLANEOUS CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

- 5.1 Full 'Conditions of Award' including conditions relating to transfer of funds, monitoring, and publicity and marketing are specified separately.
- 5.2 This award is a one-off award and outputs/outcomes should be delivered in the period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.
- 5.3 The grant recipient may not use the award for any activities other than those set out in the Decision Paper or as approved in writing by the PCC.
- 5.4 The grant recipient must be able to demonstrate that they are managing the grant in an efficient and effective manner, and are actively seeking to minimise bureaucracy and streamline processes in order to deliver the best possible outcomes.
- 5.5 Payment will be made within 21 working days of the receipt of a payment request and must be accompanied by the appropriate monitoring information.

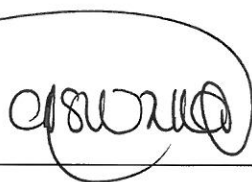
ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)	PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	YES
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	YES
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	YES
Have human resource implications been considered?	YES
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
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	YES
Have all relevant ethical factors been taken into consideration in developing this submission?	YES

#### APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO THE DECISION-MAKER

##### 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 Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signature:



Date 24/6/2015.