

ORIGINATOR: POLICY OFFICER (LH)

DECISION NUMBER: 26-2016

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION

SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

**SUBJECT: AWARD OF CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION GRANT –
HAVERHILL DETACHED YOUTH SUPPORT**

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 Haverhill Town Council this report seeks approval to award a Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant to Haverhill Town Council towards Detached Youth Support work and "On the Spot Van" for £3,500.
3. The activity will address the Police and Crime Plan objectives including reducing offending and re-offending, preventing the damaging effects of substance misuse, reducing crime anti-social behaviour (ASB) and supporting vulnerable young people.
4. The original application is included alongside this decision paper.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the PCC approves a grant of £3,500 for the period 1 June 2016 to 31 March 2017.

APPROVAL BY: PCC

The recommendation set out is agreed.

Signature

Tain Pannore

Date *14/6/2016*

DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Police and Crime Commissioner can commission services that:
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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 £3,500 to Haverhill Town Council for the delivery of detached youth support. This decision paper should be read alongside the application for a grant (Appendix A).

2. HAVERHILL TOWN COUNCIL / DETACHED YOUTH SUPPORT

- 2.1 In response to recommendations from the Haverhill Youth Action Group, Haverhill Town Council has funded an "On the Spot Van" to deliver a variety of youth engagement activities in the Haverhill area. The overarching programme of youth engagement is delivered by Haverhill Town Council with partners including Catch 22 Suffolk Positive Futures, Havebury Housing, Suffolk County Council Children and Young People's Services, Suffolk Youth Offending Service, Abbeycroft Leisure/Haverhill Leisure Centre, Haverhill Schools and Suffolk Constabulary.
- 2.2 This work is now being extended to deliver 'detached' youth work through two support workers who will proactively go out and find young people who are not already engaged in organised activities. Working with information provided by local police the youth support workers will visit ASB and youth crime 'hotspots' to find young people on the periphery of gangs and/or involved in drug activity. These experienced youth workers will use their skills to engage young people and build trust before signposting them to support services.
- 2.4 The programme will provide a positive alternative for young people who are at risk of becoming or have become involved in crime in Haverhill such as ASB, drug crime and gang type activities. As such, the activity will address Police and Crime Plan objectives relating to reducing offending and re-offending, preventing the damaging effects of substance misuse, reducing crime anti-social behaviour (ASB) and supporting vulnerable young people.
- 2.3 The request for funding from the PCC will supplement the programme being funded by Haverhill Town Council and will be used for an additional three months staffing costs for the youth support workers.
- 2.5 The project will report to the PCC on the outcomes of the project over 15 months. Data on the following measures will be collated through face to face and online feedback and consultation:
- Police statistics on recorded crime and ASB in the area
 - Feedback from SNT officers
 - Local community perceptions of the level of crime and ASB
 - Reduction in number of people misusing drugs and alcohol and associated ASB
 - Feedback from service users (young people) on lifestyle choices
 - Feedback from partner agencies including impact on demand on their services.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 3.1 Funding of £3,500 is being applied for to cover the cost of two sessional youth support workers for 2 days a week for 3 months as part of the 15 month project. Haverhill Town Council is supporting the project through funding of £23,000 to cover the remaining staffing and vehicle costs.
- 3.2 Evidence of spend will be made available together with outcomes as part of the monitoring process.
- 3.3 It is anticipated that, through a reduction in criminality and improved physical, mental and emotional wellbeing, the programme will reduce the demand placed on professional services including the police, NHS and social services.

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 2016/17 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 publicly 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).

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 PCC.

Signature:



Date

14 June 2016



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-fund/>

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	Haverhill Town Council
Contact Name	Colin Poole
Project/event	Detached Youth Support work and "On the Spot Van"
Date of event (if applicable)	Commencing April 2016

DETAILS OF GRANT APPLICATION**What are you seeking to achieve from undertaking this project/event?**

We are seeking funding to extend the remit of a project that is being managed by Haverhill Town Council (HTC). HTC is commencing funding the use of the "On the Spot Van" that is used to deliver a variety of youth engagement activities including DJ equipment, art equipment and online laptops. There will also be two outreach youth support workers to deliver counselling and signposting services. This service is being extended to deliver detached youth work in response to an identified need around drug and alcohol abuse and gang style behaviours amongst local young people. The aim is to have youth support workers visiting identified "hot spots" for ASB and youth crime. They will engage with the hard to reach groups who do not access the support services that are based at fixed locations such as the Haverhill Leisure Centre. The workers will liaise with the local Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) to ensure they are visiting the areas of most need. The youth support workers will make use of the "On the Spot Van" for higher impact and visibility and they will also walk, in pairs, around the town to ensure they engage with those who cannot be easily reached using the van.

The Bigger Picture

The above specific project will signpost young people at risk into an overarching programme of services for young people and their families who live in and visit Haverhill, which is being developed by the Town Council in response to recommendations from the Haverhill Youth Action Group, which was originally set up at the instigation of the local Police. The programme will provide positive alternatives to those who are at risk of becoming or have become involved in crime in Haverhill such as ASB, drug crime and gang type activities. Young people will be given the opportunity to co-design, deliver and access a range of new and expanded services that will be delivered around the town, both in fixed locations and various open spaces.

By deflecting them away from criminality the programme will improve their physical, mental and emotional well-being and also reduce the demand placed on professional services such as social services, the Police and the NHS.

The overarching programme will be delivered using multi-agency and service user co-production approaches. The partners involved are Catch 22 Suffolk Positive Futures, Haverhill Town Council, outreach youth support workers, Havebury Housing, Suffolk County Council Children and Young People's Services (CYPS), Suffolk Youth Offending Service, Abbeycroft Leisure at Haverhill Leisure Centre, Haverhill Schools and Suffolk Constabulary.

How does this project/event support the objectives set out in the PCC's Police & Crime Plan?**Objective 1**

The outreach workers will assist in the achievement of the PCC's Police and Crime Plan Objective 1 by reducing the demand on frontline Police services. HTC contracted youth support workers will engage with young people to reduce their offending behaviour or the likelihood of future offending by signposting alternative and positive activities and bespoke support services. This will reduce the number of victims of crime who need urgent Police assistance.

Objective 2

They will support objective 2 by providing outreach counselling and links to existing services for young people and their families that are centred on tackling drug and alcohol abuse. The aim will be to reduce the number of people who have these types of issues and also to reduce the number of people who are involved in drug related crime such as theft type offences and violence.

Objectives 3 and 4

Effective partnership working will be at the core of this project and it will support objectives 3 and 4 by deflecting those at risk of re-offending away from criminality and into more positive activities. It will seek to limit the damage caused to the community as a whole through drug and alcohol abuse. Outreach youth support workers will counsel young people on the dangers of this abuse and introduce them to more long term support services. They will give young people the opportunity to talk about their vulnerabilities around domestic, criminal and sexual abuse and help them to access further support services. All partners will deliver and facilitate services and activities that encourage people away from criminal behaviour and significantly contribute to crime and ASB reduction in Haverhill.

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

HTC are funding two outreach youth support workers to deliver twice-weekly sessions on the "On the Spot Van", to begin from April 2016. Haverhill Town Council has earmarked sufficient funds to deliver this service for 12 months however PCC funding will extend the remit to provide detached youth work and extend the lifespan of the project by a further 3 months to ensure consistent and long-term engagement can be achieved.

The "On the Spot Van" project will engage with young people across Haverhill. Previous mainstream use of the project has resulted in regular contact with 150 young people. The detached youth work outlined in this proposal is focussed on young people who do not currently engage with the project. It is anticipated up to 25 young people will be engaged through the work targeted at gang-type groups, with interventions happening weekly.

There is an expectation that all grants awarded must deliver clear and measurable outcomes. Please set out below the expected outputs and outcomes and how you will measure them. Outcomes should be aligned to the Police and Crime Plan and demonstrate change as a result of the funding.

The measures listed below will be obtained through a variety of methods including local face to face research, online feedback and consultations conducted by the HTC. This research will be ongoing though the lifetime of the programme and the results used to shape future provision.

Objective 1

The outcome for objective 1 will a reduction in the demand on front line Police officers. This will be measured using Police statistics around recorded crimes and reports of ASB and also anecdotal evidence provided by Haverhill SNT officers. The local community will also be consulted on their perceptions of crime and ASB.

Objective 2

The outcomes for objective 2 will be a reduction in the number of people misusing drugs and alcohol and a reduction in the number of people who are repeatedly causing high demand because of their issues around drugs and alcohol. This will be measured by using Police statistics and anecdotal evidence from local officers. Feedback from service users and the local community will also be sought through various consultations. These consultations will gather information about such things as lifestyle choices, perception of crime and the best ways to prevent the situation from deteriorating.

Objectives 3 and 4

The effectiveness of the partnership working in this project will be measured using feedback from the partner agency staff who will help deliver services and also the more strategic partner staff who measure demand on their services.

HTC will also gather feedback from service users on their views on topics such as how partnership working has affected their community and how visible the partner agencies have been.

Amount applied for £ 3,500		
Please provide a breakdown of costs:		
Staffing =	£19,250	for 2 x sessional youth workers 2 days per week over 15 months
Vehicle Maintenance costs =	£ 1,100	
Vehicle running costs =	£ 1,150	
Vehicle replacement =	£ 5,000	pa contribution over 4 years, HTC
Total =	£26,500	has also allocated £15,000 lump sum in year 0
Please provide details of any partnership / match funding.		
Haverhill Town Council are providing £23,000.00.		

In submitting the application you must have regard to the following grant conditions:

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If the application is approved signed acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant will be required.

The outcome will be notified to you as soon as possible.

Please note: Applications approved under this process will be published on the PCC's website.