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ORIGINATOR: POLICY & COMMISSIONING

**OFFICER** 

**DECISION NUMBER: 20 - 2023** 

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION

SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SUFFOLK POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S

FUND, ROUND 33, JUNE 2023

## **SUMMARY:**

- 1. The Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) Fund was established in February 2014 to support organisations that can contribute to delivering the PCC's Police and Crime Plan objectives.
- 2. The fund became operational on 1 April 2014 and a Grant Panel was established to consider applications making recommendations on grant awards to the PCC who determines every grant award. On 16 June 2023, the Panel met for Round 33 of the PCC Fund.
- 3. This decision paper sets out the recommendation to approve three applications totalling £43,449, as part of the first round of funding for 2023/24.
- 4. In addition, the decision paper sets out the recommendation to allocate £15,000 from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget, to fund one successful multi-year applicant from Round 33.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that:

- 1. The PCC approves a total of £43,449 be allocated from the 2023/24 PCC Fund budget, to be used to support the successful applicants in Round 33.
- 2. The PCC approves a total of £15,000 be allocated from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget, to be used to support the successful multi-year applicant in Round 33.

APPROVAL BY: PCC

The recommendation set out above is agreed.

Signature: Date: 28.06.2023

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#### **DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION**

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In accordance with the provisions in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) 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.
- 1.2 In applying this provision, the PCC will ensure that the services commissioned are also consistent with the Suffolk Police and Crime Plan.
- 1.3 This report provides a summary of the grants recommended for funding through the Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner's Fund in June 2023.

#### 2. SUFFOLK POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S FUND

- 2.1 The Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner's Fund is administered by Suffolk Community Foundation and was previously known as the 'Safer Suffolk Fund'. More information on the establishment of the Fund can be found on the PCC website: Decision Paper 10–2014.
- 2.2 In February 2022, a <u>new Police and Crime Plan</u> for the period 2022-2025 was published and the criteria for applications to the PCC Fund was aligned to the new objectives within the plan. The terms of reference were also updated to reflect the new objectives and the parameters in which the Fund will operate in.
- 2.3 The Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner's Fund seeks to support organisations that can show clear measurable outcomes that address the objectives of the Police and Crime Plan for Suffolk. These outcomes have been strengthened and are specified in each application to the fund.
- 2.4 Applications were considered where links are made with the following key areas of the Police and Crime Plan:
  - Vulnerable people who are or could be a target for crime. This could include people
    who are or could be a target for crime (including people with protected characteristics),
    or those vulnerable due to the nature of the crime they are suffering e.g. are persistently
    targeted or suffering online crime, modern slavery, hate crime or abuse.
  - Victims of crime helping people cope with the immediate impact of the crime and recover from the harm caused – especially where partnerships are formed to support victims.
  - **Serious Violence** initiatives to support those at risk of offending and becoming victims of knife crime, gang activity and county lines.
  - Young people positive engagement schemes to reduce crime and disorder with a focus
    on those who are disadvantaged or at risk of offending and provide opportunities for
    young people.
  - **Drugs and Substance Abuse** supporting those who have drug and alcohol issues to positively impact on crime and disorder reduction.
  - **Preventing reoffending** working with those who offend to reduce re-offending. This could include schemes to support offenders and ex-offenders to improve their skills and support their rehabilitation into the community.

- **Reducing crime** we will consider applications where an evidential link can be made with reducing crime and disorder.
- 2.5 The panel, established to consider the grant applications, is chaired by the PCC who is responsible for final determination of each award.
- 2.6 The panel includes a representative of the PCC's executive team and Chairs of the local Community Safety Partnerships (Ipswich, West Suffolk, East Suffolk). However, following the recent local election, CSP chairs were not all in position by the commencement of the June 2023 panel.
- 2.7 The meeting to discuss the applications for Round 33 was held online.
- 2.8 The decisions for all previous grant awards can be found on the PCC's website.

#### 3. PROPOSED GRANTS FOR FUNDING

- 3.1 Details of the grants proposed can be found in Appendix A. Conditions, including monitoring arrangements, for each award are agreed between Suffolk Community Foundation on behalf of the PCC and the recipient.
- 3.2 No grant funding will be released to any applicant until the conditions of the grant have been met. Appendix A will indicate if an applicant is subject to conditions before receiving grant funding via the PCC Fund Panel.

#### 4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The recommended grants from Round 33 of the panel total £43,449.
- 4.2 The PCC has committed to awarding multi-year funding, where an organisation applies, which is subject to Suffolk Community Foundation's due diligence checks and review by the panel prior to the award of funding in year 2.
- 4.3 There was one recommended applicant for a 2-year grant agreement. Therefore, there is an additional £15,000 recommended to be awarded in Year Two, which will be allocated from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget. This can be viewed at Appendix A.

## 5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

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

#### 6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 6.1 It is recommended that:
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  - 2) The PCC approves a total of £15,000 be allocated from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget, to be used to support the successful multi-year applicant in Round 33.

ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)	PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'	
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	NO	
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	NO	
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	
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**

## **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: 27.06.2023

# SUFFOLK POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S FUND 2023/24

Organisation	Benefit Area	Funding purpose	Police and Crime Plan objectives	Grant Awarded (subject to condition - C)	Year 2 Funding
		Summary of grants awar	rded – Round 33 (June 2023)		
Abbeycroft Leisure	Mildenhall	To provide youth provision in Mildenhall, to reduce anti-social behaviour (ASB) and offending. The project will target those in troubled families aged 11-17 years. It aims to create opportunities to socialise where a youth support officer will offer support and guidance. Funding will support 100 beneficiaries.	Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder  - Support vulnerable young people through initiatives which divert them from criminality and enhance their skills  - Investment in solutions which reduce reoffending, prevent crime, or improve community safety  - Reduce the demand on police (i.e. crime and disorder)  Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety  - Support initiatives which benefit young people  - Work with partners to reduce reoffending and prevent crime	£10,403 (c)	
Haverhill Community Trust	Haverhill	The project aims to support 370 beneficiaries by providing two youth projects in Haverhill to reduce and prevent anti-social behaviour and crime:  1) A free theatre production to visit all primary schools to address issues of ASB and weapon-related crime.  2) A street art project at the location of an incident which involved knife crime in Haverhill and resulted in the death of a young local person.	Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder  - Support vulnerable young people through initiatives which divert them from criminality and enhance their skills  - Investment in solutions that prevent crime and disorder, or improve community safety  - Reduce the demand on police (i.e. ASB) Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety  - Support initiatives which benefit young people	£18,046 (c)	

			- Work with partners to reduce reoffending and prevent crime		
Room 4	Haverhill	Organisation offers trauma-recovery focussed psycho-therapeutic interventions for hard-to-reach young people at risk of exploitation. The project is a multi-year project, aimed at offering sessions across Haverhill. The project will identify 15 young people in need, working with them for a minimum of two years.	Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder  - Support vulnerable young people through initiatives which divert them from criminality and enhance their skills  - Investment in solutions that prevent crime and disorder, or improve community safety  - Reduce the demand on police (i.e. ASB) Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety  - Support initiatives which benefit young people  - Work with partners to reduce reoffending and prevent crime	£15,000 (c)	£15,000 (c)
				£43,449	£15,000