



# Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner

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**ORIGINATOR: HEAD OF COMMISSIONING**

**DECISION NUMBER: 26 - 2023**

**REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION**

**SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

**SUBJECT: AWARD OF CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION GRANT – ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

## **SUMMARY:**

1. In accordance with the provisions in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 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.
2. This report seeks approval to award a Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) District 1080 of £800 to support one candidate on the 2023 course.
3. The funding will enable crime and disorder reduction activity supporting young people through an initiative which will divert from criminality and enhance skills in line with the intentions set out in Objective 2 of the Police and Crime Plan.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. It is recommended that the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) awards grant funding of £800 to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards for delivery in 2023.

**APPROVAL BY: PCC**

The recommendation set out above is agreed.

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**Signature:**

**Date: 23 August 2023**

## **DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 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.

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.

- 1.2 This report seeks approval from the PCC to award a grant of £800 to support one candidate through the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) course being delivered in September 2023.

### **2. POLICE AND CRIME PLAN OBJECTIVES**

- 2.1 The PCC set out his intention to support young people in his manifesto for election in 2021 and committed to supporting young people to fulfil their aspirations and make the right choices in life, particularly following the negative impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic. The manifesto contained a commitment to sponsoring young people through the RYLA course.

- 2.2 In February 2022, a new Police and Crime Plan for the period 2022-2025 was published. Objective 2 sets out the intention to provide services which support victims of crime and invest in initiatives which reduce crime.

- 2.3 The proposed grant is intended to contribute to the following activity within Objective 2:
- Use crime and disorder reduction funding to divert young people from crime and seek to work with the Constabulary and partners to reduce reoffending.
  - Supporting young people – this could include initiatives which divert young people from criminality, enhance their skills or provide crime prevention advice and supports them so they do not become victims.

### **3. ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA)**

- 3.1 Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI) is a charitable association of over 1,800 Rotary clubs and more than 50,000 members. Rotary uses the skills, expertise and dedication of members to help improve the lives of people in communities both in the UK and abroad. Rotary District 1080 covers Rotary Clubs in Suffolk, Norfolk, a large part of Cambridgeshire and a small number of clubs in Essex.

- 3.2 Rotary recognises that today's young people are tomorrow's leaders but that they often need assistance to make themselves more valuable to their employers and communities. The Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) is a Rotary International project with a 25 year proven record of personal development and leadership for young people.

- 3.3 Early intervention programmes have been shown to have a positive impact on young people and communities. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards is applying for a grant to support youth development and partnership working that will encourage young people to become positive advocates for law and order. The RYLA course provides the opportunity to increase the level

of self-esteem and confidence of attendees, develop skills and improve the life changes of young people at risk of becoming disaffected, exploited or entering the criminal justice system.

- 3.4 The RYLA course is a seven day fully residential intensive programme held at Grafham Water Centre. This year the RYLA week will be held from 26 August to 2 September 2023. The opportunity is open to people aged between 18 and 26 and is run by professional tutors, lecturers and instructors.
- 3.5 The RYLA course gives young people opportunities to achieve their potential in the world in which they live and work through developing personal, communication and leadership skills, confidence and self-respect. The course delegates are given the opportunity to:
- expand their horizons by developing leadership skills;
  - increase self-confidence;
  - obtain new skills and develop old ones to positively contribute to work and the world around them;
  - enhance qualities that benefit current or future employment;
  - work effectively as a team, discover the benefits of delegation, and work to tight deadlines.
- 3.6 The course is open to young people from any background with fifty delegates in total. RYLA and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk worked together during 2023 to find potential candidates that fit the PCC's criteria and sent invitations to a variety of organisations who support young people to nominate a candidate.
- 3.7 The recommended grant will support one applicant from Suffolk, whose attendance would deliver on the Police and Crime Plan objectives and who otherwise may not have the opportunity to attend such a course. Candidates are supported by local 'mentors' before, during and after the week.
- 3.8 Previous PCC funding has enabled police cadet leaders and those volunteering or supported by local charities to undertake the RYLA course. There is a wealth of qualitative feedback from previously PCC supported participants and this shows a number secured interviews and apprenticeships attributing their success to the confidence building, skills development and mentoring provided by RYLA.

#### **4. MONITORING AND OUTCOMES**

- 4.1 Grant monitoring will consider evidence of attendance and outcomes from the activities during the week. Feedback from the candidates and their mentors is required to illustrate the impact of the course.
- 4.2 Following successful conclusion of the course the candidates are required to present an overview of their experience and achievements to their local Rotary Club and PCC.

#### **5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Funding of £800 is being requested to cover the sponsorship of one candidate.
- 5.2 The sponsorship covers the fully residential course, accommodation and activities. Candidates who require support with travel or kit will be supported by their local Rotary Club.

5.3 Evidence of spend will be made available together with outcomes as part of the monitoring process.

## **6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

6.1 An assessment of risk in delivery has been undertaken. This assessment has considered the value of the grant sought, the duration of delivery and the grant recipient's history of delivery and ability to deliver.

6.2 Should there be any risk to the project being delivered, RYLA is required to notify the PCC.

## **7. RECOMMENDATION**

7.1 It is recommended that the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) awards grant funding of £800 to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards for delivery in 2023.

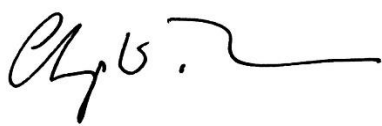
<b>ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)</b>	<b>PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'</b>
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	<b>NO</b>
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	<b>NO</b>
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis,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

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: 24 August 2023**