

**ORIGINATOR: POLICY & COMMISSIONING
OFFICER**

DECISION NUMBER: 23 - 2024

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION

SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

**SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SUFFOLK POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S
FUND, ROUND 37, JULY 2024**

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 grants panel was established to consider applications and make recommendations to the PCC who then determines every grant award. On 30 July 2024, the Panel met for Round 37 of the PCC Fund.
3. This decision paper sets out the recommendation to approve five applications totalling £90,000, as part of the first round of funding for 2024/25.
4. In addition, the decision paper sets out the recommendation to allocate £20,000 of this total from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget to fund one successful multi-year applicant from Round 37.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

1. The PCC approves a total of £90,000 be allocated from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget, to be used to support the successful applicants in Round 37.
2. Included in the total at 'Recommendation 1', the PCC approves a total of £20,000 be allocated from the 2024/25 budget to be used to support one successful multi-year applicant from Round 37.

APPROVAL BY: PCC

The recommendation set out above is agreed.

Signature:



Date: 20th August 2024

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 through the Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner's first grants panel for 2024/25.

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 [new Police and Crime Plan](#) 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 updated terms of reference reflects the new objectives and the parameters in which the Fund operates 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 are considered where links are made with the following key areas of the Police and Crime Plan:
- **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.
 - **Serious Violence** – initiatives to support those at risk of offending and becoming victims of knife crime, gang activity and county lines.
 - **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.

- **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.
- 2.5 The Panel, established to consider the grant applications, is chaired by the PCC who is responsible for final determination of each award. The Panel includes a representative of the PCC's commissioning team and Chairs of the local Community Safety Partnerships (Ipswich, West Suffolk, East Suffolk).
- 2.6 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.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The recommended grants from Round 37 total £90,000. This total includes £20,000 which is to be allocated from the current budget to fund one successful multi-year applicant – which can be seen at Appendix A.
- 4.2 Where a successful applicant has applied for multiyear funding, an assessment conducted by the OPCC will be undertaken in 2025/26 on the allocation of second year funding, pending future decisions on the PCC Fund.
- 4.3 In addition, if an allocation of second year funding is awarded to the successful applicant(s), this is subject to Suffolk Community Foundation's due diligence checks and review by the PCC prior to the award of funding.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

- 5.1 There are no other implications or risks to be considered.

6. RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 It is recommended that:
- 1) The PCC approves a total of £90,000 be allocated from the 2024/25 PCC Fund budget, to be used to support the successful applicants in Round 37.
 - 2) Included in the total at 'Recommendation 1', the PCC approves a total of £20,000 be allocated from the 2024/25 budget to be used to support one successful multi-year applicant from Round 37.

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

APPROVAL BY: Acting 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: 19th August 2024

SUFFOLK POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S FUND 2024/25: ROUND 37

Organisation	Benefit Area	Funding purpose	Police and Crime Plan objectives	Grant Awarded [subject to conditions]	Year 2 Funding [subject to conditions]
Summary of grants awarded – Round 37 (July 2024)					
British Racing School	East	To support the Newmarket Pony Academy and their provision for children and young people at risk of criminal activity or anti-social behaviour.	<p>Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. - Lower reoffending, prevent crime and reduce the demand on police. <p>Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring investments in crime and disorder reduction are effectively communicated to Community Safety Partnerships. - Work with partners to understand gaps in service, reduce reoffending, and prevent crime. 	£5,250	
Future Female Society	West	To deliver 'Girls Where You At?', a weekly project for girls and young women who are vulnerable, at risk of exploitation or exhibiting poor mental health.	<p>Objective 2: Initiatives which support victims of crime</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support young people so they do not become victims. <p>Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring investments in crime and disorder reduction are effectively communicated to Community Safety Partnerships. 	£17,950	

Innov8	Suffolk	Towards Project Pine, a project to double their wellbeing and vocational skills provision for students who are Emotional Based School Avoidance, school refusers, have mental ill-health or Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs.	<p>Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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). <p>Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring investments in crime and disorder reduction are effectively communicated to Community Safety Partnerships. - Support initiatives which benefit young people. - Work with partners to reduce reoffending and prevent crime. 	£20,000	£20,000
NSPCC	Suffolk	To deliver 'Childline Reach Suffolk', to support victims of Child Criminal Exploitation and divert young people from criminality.	<p>Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support vulnerable young people through initiatives which divert them from criminality enhance their skills. - Investment in solutions that prevent crime and disorder or improve community safety. - Lower reoffending, prevent crime and reduce the demand on police. <p>Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring investments in crime and disorder reduction are effectively communicated to Community Safety Partnerships. 	£17,800	

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work with partners to understand gaps in service, reduce reoffending, and prevent crime. 		
The Nest Farms	East	To deliver 'Brighter Futures Initiative', reducing the link to crime by empowering youth through mental health education 2024-2026.	<p>Objective 2: Initiatives which reduce crime and disorder</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. - Lower reoffending, prevent crime and reduce the demand on police. <p>Objective 4: Partnership work to enhance community safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring investments in crime and disorder reduction are effectively communicated to Community Safety Partnerships. - Work with partners to understand gaps in service, reduce reoffending, and prevent crime. 	£9,000	
Sub totals				£70,000	£20,000
Total				£90,000	