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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/0022/13	
Date of Decision Date of Report: 19 th April 2013	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide	
Title of report: 2013/14 funding to the Thurrock Youth Offending Service – Youth Crime and Substance Misuse prevention work previously funded from Youth Justice Board Grants.		
Report by: Jasmine Frost, Essex Police		
Enquiries to: Jasmine Frost, Essex Police		

1. Purpose of report

1.1. To seek approval to allocate £18,930 to Thurrock Youth Offending Service to support their work in youth crime and substance misuse prevention work

2. Recommendations

2.1 To approve the allocation of the above funding to support the prevention work

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1 Substance Misuse (Drugs and Alcohol) continues to be clearly identified as a contributory factor to a considerable proportion of reported crime and disorder across Essex.
- 3.2 The proposal outlines the many aspects of prevention work that is carried out by the Thurrock Youth Offending Service and the monies allocated here form a small percentage of the work carried out.

4. Background and proposal

4.1 The proposal is that Thurrock Essex Youth Offending Service will use the £18,930 to support the following activities;

Triage - has therefore enabled the YOS to:

- significantly reduce first time entrants into the criminal justice system
- significantly reduce re-offending rates for this group
- identify potential prolific offenders at the earliest stage
- avoid criminalising children and young people, which in turn
- significantly increases their opportunities for more positive outcomes

A proportion of the monies will be used for substance misuse, however it is anticipated that Thurrock YOS may commission TYPDAS (Thurrock Young Peoples Drug and Alcohol Service) to provide the service as opposed to delivery in-house.

Interventions are delivered to young people after their first arrest having been assessed and diverted out of the CJS.

Streetwise knife prevention programme

Contributes to costs of delivering alcohol and drug reduction programmes in the education setting.

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1. This proposal supports the key priority area in the Police and Crime Plan around reducing youth offending and youth re-offending.
- 5.2. It aligns with the PCCs Police and Crime Plan in relation to tackling the consequences of drug and alcohol abuse.
- 5.3. It also accords with the PCC's approach set out in the Police & Crime Plan where there is a continuing need to support those existing services involved in tackling the causes and consequences of crime.

6. Police Operational Implications

6.1 Essex Police also contribute staff to the YOS. Four police officers are seconded in Essex and one each in Thurrock and Southend.

Report Approval

The report will be signed off by where legal implications arise.	the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor	
Chief Executive/M.O	Charl Cont	
Chief Financial Officer		
PCC Legal Advisor	(As necessary)	
Decision		
I agree the recommendations to this report		
PC	C/Deputy PCC	
I do not agree the recommendations to this report because		
PCC/Deputy PCC		

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 The long term financial implications would be a rise in youth offending and increased demand upon policing.
- 7.2 As can be seen by the figures detailed in the document the money provided by the PCC is a small percentage of the total money invested in prevention and substance misuse work carried out by Thurrock YOS.

8. Legal Implications

8.1 Essex Police Standard Terms and Conditions apply and compliant to the Home Office Grant Agreement.

9. Staffing and other resource implications

9.1 There are potential resource implications for the PCCs Office as the service and performance outcomes and to a lesser extent financial performance, will have to be regularly monitored to ensure effective and efficient delivery against the Police and Crime Plan priorities.

10. Equality and Diversity implications

10.1 The continuation of this service would ensure that an underserved and hard to engage section of society would continue to have a specific element of support.

Publication

Reasons for non-publication (sta	ate 'None' if applicable)
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Report for publication	YES
	NO

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