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**Title of report** PCC Community Safety Fund – 2015-16 Neighbourhood Watch contribution

**Report by** Greg Myddelton

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1. **Purpose of report**

   1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £10,500 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the 2015-16 Community Safety Fund to Neighbourhood Watch.

2. **Recommendations**

   2.1. To seek approval to pay £750 each to 14 Essex Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) districts to help them fund their 2014/15 annual running costs, at a total cost to the PCC of £10,500.

3. **Benefits of Proposal**

   3.1. To permit the NhW executive to support their on-going work and to assist Essex Police with their requirement of the NhW to increase coverage, integration and mobilisation of the Essex NhW. In turn, this will reduce local crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour and provide reassurance to the public that the police will work with them in crime prevention and detection.

4. **Background and proposal**

   4.1. This funding represents the PCC’s annual contribution to Neighbourhood Watch.
5. **Police and Crime Plan**

5.1. This proposal supports the PCC’s vision and delivery of the following key areas of focus:
- Reducing hidden harm
- Improving crime prevention
- Supporting our victims of crime
- Ensuring local solutions meet local problems
- Increasing efficiency in policing through collaborative working and innovation

6. **Police Operational Implications**

6.1 There are no operational implications

7. **Financial Implications**

7.1 The PCC would fund a £10,500 contribution to Neighbourhood Watch.

8. **Legal Implications**

8.1 The award of the grant is subject to the PCC’s standard funding agreement.

9. **Staffing and other resource implications**

9.1 There are no staffing issues

10. **Equality and Diversity implications**

10.1 There are no equality and diversity implications
Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.

Chief Executive/M.O

Chief Financial Officer

PCC Legal Advisor ........................................... (As necessary)

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report

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I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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Report for publication

YES □

NO □

If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.