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Title of report PCC NIF – South Essex Homes art project	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £12,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the NIF to South Essex Homes, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of the NIF grant to South Essex Homes to deliver a weekly art-session project

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1 The project will involve weekly art sessions with youth groups using a local professional artist to deliver the sessions. It will include support from volunteer ex-offenders working with the artist to deliver the sessions

3.2 The project will;

- Address the anti-social aspects of street art
- Engage hard to reach young people using art
- Build confidence and increase aspirations
- Give young people the opportunity to experience art and express themselves
- Build respect and ownership in neighbourhoods
- Reduce youth offending and re-offending through support and education
- Give ex-offenders work experience and opportunities to develop new skills

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1 The project involves after-school sessions enabling the young people to attend. Through the SMAART team, South Essex Homes have established excellent partnerships with Integrated Youth Services, Community Payback Team, Referral Units and school liaison officers. These links will be used to ensure the project targets those who are at risk of exclusion or who have offended
- 4.2 The project benefits from £10,000 match-funding from South Essex Homes & Dept. for Work & Pensions

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1 Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;
- Reducing youth offending and youth re-offending
 - Improving crime prevention
 - Ensuring local solutions meet local problems

6. Police Operational Implications

- 6.1 No operational impact

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 The PCC would fund a £12,000 contribution to South Essex Homes

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

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