1. **Purpose of report**

1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £1,450 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the 2015-16 Hidden Harm Fund to Epping Forest District Council to host a partnership CSE conference.

2. **Recommendations**

2.1. Approve the allocation of a Community Safety grant to host a CSE conference that will improve awareness and partnership working of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) in West Essex.

3. **Benefits of Proposal**

3.1. This conference is being held to promote understanding and improve partnership working around the area of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE).

3.2. The objectives for the event are to:

   • Raise awareness of CSE
   • Understand what is happening during the ‘grooming’ process
   • Improve multi-agency responses to CSE
   • Supporting victims of exploitation and facilitate policing and prosecutions
   • Identify the way forward; next steps
4. **Background and proposal**
4.1. This event benefits from £1,400 match-funding from Epping Forest District Council.

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 victims of crime
   - Ensuring local solutions meet local problems

6. **Police Operational Implications**
6.1. There are no operational implications.

7. **Financial Implications**
7.1. The PCC would provide £1,450 to Epping Forest District Council.

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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Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the Asst. Director for Commissioning and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.

Asst. Director for Commissioning

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

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NO ☐

If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.