1. **Purpose of report**
   1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £500.00 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the CSDF to Essex Neighbourhood Watch (NhW) Association, 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 CSDF grant to Essex NhW Association to support their 2015-16 conference.

3. **Benefits of Proposal**
   3.1. This conference is an opportunity for Essex NhW to update partners on activity and for networking and sharing of information & best practice amongst NhW members.

4. **Background and proposal**
   4.1. The PCC has been invited as keynote speaker for this event.
   4.2. The PCC’s contribution to this event has been reduced from £1,000 in 2014-5.

5. **Police and Crime Plan**
   5.1. Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;
   - Improving crime prevention
   - Increasing efficiency in policing through collaborative working and innovation
• 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 £500 contribution to Essex Neighbourhood Watch Association

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.

AD for Commissioning

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report

PCC/Deputy PCC

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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Report for publication

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If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.