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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/063/16
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Title of report	Essex Research and Analysis Network
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the reallocation of £10,000 which is currently allocated to the OPCC research analyst post (funded from the Community Safety Fund) to part fund an analytical capability based within ECC. This will deliver (a) vulnerability mapping reports as commissioned by Essex Partnership Board and (b) the support to the multiagency analysts network.
- 1.2. It is proposed that the funding is reallocated to ECC because:
 - the OPCC research analyst position has become vacant mid-year and it will be difficult to recruit to a short term position and deliver on the proposed products within timescales. ECC has indicated that they can deliver in the outputs on behalf of the OPCC through their analyst team.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the re-allocation of 10K to fund Essex County Council.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. ECC will be responsible for developing the Research and Analysis Network for Essex, Southend and Thurrock, and co-ordinating the delivery of its agreed work programme.
- 3.2. The main purpose will be to;

- Work with partners and colleagues across the Essex Research and Analysis Network to:
 - develop and deliver an effective work programme, providing an overview of relevant work to inform the understanding of 'hidden harms' across Essex, Southend and Thurrock
 - identify areas where further research or analysis is needed and help commission that work from the Network and elsewhere as required
- Design and deliver specific pieces of analysis work as agreed, directly or in collaboration with others
- Help develop specifications for research and analysis work to be commissioned, monitoring the delivery of this to ensure that it meets requirements in terms of quality and agreed timescales

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. The Essex Research and Analysis role was originally allocated from the PCC's 2015-16 Community Safety Fund and was to be delivered internally within the OPCC however ECC is to now deliver the remainder of the analysis in 2016/17.

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1. Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;

- Reducing the risk and impact of Hidden Harm
- Increasing efficiency in policing through collaborative working and innovation

6. Police Operational Implications

- 6.1. No operational impact

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1. The PCC would fund £10,000 to Essex County 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. None

10. Equality and Diversity implications

- 10.1. There are no equality and diversity implications

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