

## PCC Decision Report

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<b>Report reference number:</b> 0057/17
<b>Classification</b> Not protectively marked
<b>Title of report:</b> Barnardos' CAPI (Children Affected by Parental Imprisonment) Service
<b>Area of County/Stakeholders affected:</b> Countywide
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**1. Purpose of report**

To approve a £1,000 contribution to the costs of the Children Affected by Parental Imprisonment (CAPI) programme launch event

**2. Recommendations**

Approve the allocation of £1,000 to Essex Fire and Rescue Service as a contribution to the CAPI launch event which will take place in September 2017

**3. Benefits of Proposal**

**3.1. The aims of this grant funding are;**

- To bring together different professionals to promote the work of the CAPI programme across Essex and beyond.
- Showcase partnership working happening between statutory, charity and voluntary groups, CSJ agencies and the OPCC, providing vital services and support to children and families affected by parental offending and also the reduction of re-offending by way of community support and prison support.

- Specifically, this funding will pay for refreshments and lunch for partners and stakeholders attending the launch event.

#### **4. Background and proposal**

- 4.1. The purpose of Barnardos' CAPI Service is to:
  - Break the cycle of intergenerational offending behaviour and its subsequent consequences on family life.
  - Challenge society's perceptions of the families of offenders through education and training, shining a light on what sometimes is a hidden issue.
  - Support children and family members to build their resilience and aspirations and through taking control of their lives achieve positive outcomes
  - Through early intervention reduce risk and subsequent demand on services
  
- 4.2. In the original establishment of Essex CAPI its main aim/objectives were to focus on working with those affected by parental imprisonment only. The transformations this year have been seen in how CAPI is a service that can operate on all stages of the Criminal Justice System (CJS) from point of arrest, through to court proceeding, community or custodial sentences and support and help with resettlement. Early identification and intervention is key to preventing escalation of needs to crisis points. By CAPI being able to engage at this early stage with L&D teams, courts and other agencies is supporting families to get the help and advice they need rather than waiting for the family to be referred to high level services and intensive programmes which cost valuable resources and drain country budgets.
  
- 4.3. As a non-statutory organisation CAPI have been able to engage with families who are in need of parenting, mental health services, benefits and housing changes along with understanding the CJS and what happens next to their partner or parent in prison and either offer direct support or signpost and collaboratively work with other agencies to share support and resources.
  
- 4.4. The Essex CAPI programme benefitted from a grant of £17,695 from the 2016-17 Community Safety Development Fund. This funding was to pilot a new course for 11-15 year old girls affected by parental imprisonment.
  
- 4.5. The Essex CAPI programme is funded by Barnardos' own grant-making structures. Essex Fire & Rescue Service is providing the venue for the launch event free of charge as a contribution in kind. Other miscellaneous costs associated with the event will be met by Barnardo's.

#### **5. Police and Crime Plan**

- 5.1. Essex CAPI address the following priorities in the Police and Crime Plan:
  - Priority 2: Crack down on Anti-Social Behaviour
  - Priority 3: Breaking the cycle of Domestic Abuse
  - Priority 6: Protecting Children and Vulnerable People from Harm

In addition, the programme supports the building blocks of success by preventing re-offending and the intergenerational nature of imprisonment.

**6. Police Operational Implications**

No operational implications.

**7. Financial Implications**

Essex PCC will contribute £1,000 from the 2017-18 Community Safety Fund to Essex County Fire and Rescue Service to support the CAPI launch event in September 2017

**8. Legal Implications**

This funding will be subject to the terms of the PCC's standard grant agreement

**9. Staffing and other resource implications**

No liabilities will be placed on the PCC as a result of this grant funding.

**10. Equality and Diversity implications**

There are no direct equality and diversity implications


**Report Approval**

The report will be signed off by the AD for Commissioning, prior to review and sign off by the PCC / DPCC

Assistant Director for Commissioning Sign: .....  
Print: G. Myddelton.....  
22.5.17

**Decision**

I agree the recommendations to this report;

Sign: .....  
Print: R.C. Hurst.....

**PCC/Deputy PCC**

Date signed: 5/6/17

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because;

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**PCC/Deputy PCC**

Date signed:

**Publication**

Report for publication

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NO

**Reasons for non-publication (state 'None' if applicable)**

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