

PCC Decision Report

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Title of report: Barnardo's Essex CAPI conference

Area of County/Stakeholders affected: Countywide

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1. Purpose of report

To seek approval for the allocation of £1,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the CSF to Barnardo's Essex CAPI Service, as a contribution to the costs of hosting the inaugural *Hidden Cost On Offender Families* Regional Conference.

2. Recommendations

Approve the allocation of the CSF grant to support The first Regional Hidden Cost On Offender Families conference to provide refreshments for the 100 + partners including commissioners, service leads and senior managers.

3. Benefits of Proposal

Barnardo's Essex CAPI Service is a countywide organisation, enhancing the provision to children and families through-out the Criminal Justice System stages i.e. arrest, court, community or custodial sentence and resettlement.

4. Background and proposal

The Essex CAPI Service was established to provide information and advice to professionals using an integrated approach to families of offenders, to ensure children

achieve and realise their potential. The service has five key outcomes: Training to professionals, Steering Groups, Family support and partnership work with the Military Correction Training Centre (MCTC) Colchester and HMP prisons and other agencies to discuss support and services available for families in the community.

Shocking figures show over 200,000 children are affected by parental imprisonment each year and over 10,000 children visit a public prison every week. Things are even worse for children whose mothers are imprisoned with only 5% of children remaining in their family home.

Children of prisoners are twice as likely to experience mental health problems, turn to substance misuse and self-harm and fail to achieve their full potential in education.

Barnardo's Essex CAPI service understands the unique vulnerabilities and challenges faced by children and their families and provide specialist support and services across Essex. Over 216 children, young people and their families were referred to the service and offered support last year.

The Barnardo's Essex CAPI Conference aims to raise professionals understanding and awareness of this vulnerable group and provide opportunities for professionals to hear from parents and children about their situation and how support has helped them overcome challenges to improve their outcomes. The conference will also showcase successful multi-agency and collaborative working established across Essex which ultimately will improve the lives of children, young people and their families.

5. Police and Crime Plan

This proposal supports priority 4 from the Police and Crime plan; reversing the trend of serious crime by delivering community programmes to help prevent knife crime and has the potential to protect children and vulnerable people from harm

6. Police Operational Implications

There are no police operational implications

7. Financial Implications

OPCC will fund a one off contribution of £1,000 to Barnardo's Essex CAPI Service from the 2017-2018 Community Safety Fund

8. Legal Implications

The award of the grant is subject to the PCC's standard funding agreement.

9. Staffing and other resource implications

There are no staffing or resource implications

10. Equality and Diversity implications

There are no equality and diversity implications

11. Background papers

n/a

Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the OPCC Chief Executive and Treasurer, prior to review and sign off by the PCC / DPCC .

AD Commissioning

Sign: 

Print: G. MYDDELTON

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Chief Executive/Treasurer

Date signed:

Decision and Final Sign Off

I agree the recommendations to this report;

Sign: ALG Gardner

Print: JANE GARDNER

~~REC~~/Deputy PCC

Date signed: JAG ^{QA} 11/08/2017

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because;

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