

## PFCC Decision Report

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<b>Report reference number: 173/18</b>
<b>Classification</b> Not protectively marked
<b>Title of report:</b> Core Essex Neighbourhood Watch Funding
<b>Area of County/Stakeholders affected:</b> Countywide
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**1. Purpose of report**

To seek approval for the allocation of £11,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the 2019-20 Community Safety Fund to Essex Neighbourhood Watch Association, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1. To seek approval to pay £750 to each of the 14 Essex Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) districts to help them fund their 2019-20 annual running costs and £500 towards their AGM, at a total cost to the PFCC of £11,000.

**3. Benefits of Proposal**

To support Essex Neighbourhood Watch with their on-going work to increase coverage, integration and mobilisation of the Essex NhW. In turn, this will reduce local crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour and provide reassurance to the public that the police will work with them in crime prevention and detection

**4. Background and proposal**

Neighbourhood watch is where people come together to make their communities safer and stronger and encourage people to look out for each other.

The aims of Neighbourhood watch are;

- It's a free, confidential service and it is up to you how involved you want to be
- To reduce opportunities for crime by deterring would be thieves and vandals

- To establish a community spirit so that everyone can contribute to the property by mutual co-operation
- To inform the Police of any suspicious activity
- To make members more aware of local crime problems and be more security conscious about their homes and property
- To encourage neighbourliness

**5. Police and Crime Plan**

Essex County Neighbourhood watch activities contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan specifically priority 1 more local, visible and accessible policing by supporting increased participation in Neighbourhood watch.

**6. Police Operational Implications**

No direct operational implications

**7. Financial Implications**

OPFCC will fund a one off contribution of £11,000 from the 2019-20 Community Safety Fund to Essex County Neighbourhood Watch (ECNW).

**8. Legal Implications**

The grant is subject to the PFCC's Standard funding agreement.

**9. Staffing and other resource implications**

No staffing implications.

**Report Approval**

The report will be signed off by the OPFCC Chief Executive and Treasurer, prior to review and sign off by the PFCC / DPFCC .

Chief Executive/M.O

Sign: [Signature]

Print: P. Beane-Dickson

Date: 12 DECEMBER 2018

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer

Sign: [Signature]

Print: ABECY Gough

Date: 12/12/18

**Publication**

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YES

NO

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NO

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Sign: .....

Print: .....

**Chief Executive/Treasurer**

Date signed: .....

**Decision and Final Sign Off**

I agree the recommendations to this report;

Sign: *J Gardner* .....

Print: *JANE GARDNER* .....

PFCC/Deputy PFCC

Date signed: *14 December 2018* .....

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because;

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Sign: .....

Print: .....

PFCC/Deputy PFCC

Date signed: .....