

PFCC Decision Report

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Report reference number: 082/19
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Title of report: Epping Amateur Boxing Club
Area of County/Stakeholders affected: Countywide
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1. Purpose of report

To seek approval for the allocation of £15,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the 2019-20 Community Safety Fund to Epping Amateur Boxing Club

2. Recommendations

To seek approval for the allocation of £15,000 to Epping Amateur Boxing Club (Epping ABC) in order to support young people of Epping and surrounding areas to build resilience and improve their behaviours through the discipline of boxing.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- Epping ABC provides a safe place for children and young people
- The club promotes and improves physical and mental wellbeing for members
- Children and young people become confident, independent and respectful

4. Background and proposal

Epping ABC is a boxing club started in 2016 which supports children and young people of Epping and the surrounding local areas including Harlow.

The boxing club currently has over 40 members and training takes place by volunteer coaches four evenings a week. Without any promotion, the club has continued to grow in numbers.

The club currently requests membership fees from the young people. The club identifies this as a barrier for young people to join or consistently attend.

The club also works with a local secondary school. Following the success that the school observed with one of their pupils, the school has a lesson at the club every other week for a select number of identified pupils. The school saw the behaviour, wellbeing and resilience of the young people improve.

The building which the club currently occupies is no longer fit for purpose. Over the summer of 2019 (during boxing off-season), the club will move to new local premises. The current coaches have sourced, through good will and donations, support for the renovation and the equipment required for the new gym.

Funding is required to provide core funding for the running of the new premises. This will allow the club to provide free classes for young people. It will continue to receive income from adult classes and schools but at more affordable rates.

Once established in the new premises, the ambition of the club is to continue to grow and deliver programmes that support the local community.

5. Alternative options considered and rejected

The PFCC has the option not to allocate this money. However, the activity supports the Police and Crime Plan priorities and is a new initiative in Epping that promotes community safety by engaging young people. The Epping Community Safety Team is supportive of the project.

6. Police and Crime Plan

Epping ABC will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan, specifically the priority to tackle gangs and organised crime. The Home Office's Serious Violence Strategy also recognises the power of sport as a universal intervention that builds self-confidence, character and ability to engage positively with society.

7. Police Operational Implications

No direct operational implications have been identified.

8. Financial Implications

The PFCC will fund a one off contribution of £15,000 from the 2019-20 Community Safety Fund to Epping ABC.

9. Legal Implications

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

10. Staffing implications

No staffing implications have been identified.

11. Equality and diversity implications

There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this proposal.

12. Risks

There are no risks identified as a result of this proposal.

13. Governance Boards

As a community project, this proposal has not been to any governance boards.

14. Background papers

None

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. BEAST-SMEEWOOD

Date: 27 JUNE 2019

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer

Sign: [Signature]

Print: A. BEECHER

Date: 27/6/2019

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2. Of Appendix YES
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Chief Executive/Treasurer

Date signed:

Decision and Final Sign Off

I agree the recommendations to this report;

Sign: *Jane Gardner*

Print: *JANE GARDNER*

PFCC/Deputy PFCC

Date signed: *27 JUNE 2019*

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because;

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PFCC/Deputy PFCC

Date signed: