

## PFCC Decision Report

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<b>Report reference number:</b> 138/19
<b>Classification;</b> Not protectively marked
<b>Title of report:</b> Phase 2 of Home Office Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) funding 2019/20
<b>Area of county / stakeholders affected:</b> Countywide
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<b>Date of report:</b> 10 September 2019
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### 1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. To approve the allocation of £426,400 from the PFCC's 2019-20 Violence & Vulnerability Fund to the organisations detailed in section 4.1 below for delivery against the objectives set out in our VRU bid.

### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of £426,400 to support partner organisations to deliver against the priorities within the Essex VRU application to the Home Office.

### 3. Benefits of the proposal

- 3.1. This funding will enable local partners across Essex to have a positive impact on issues relating to violence and vulnerability, including gangs, 'county lines' and child criminal exploitation.
- 3.2. This funding supports organisations to deliver on their areas of work outlined in the Essex Violence and Vulnerability Framework (2018) to reduce serious violence and safeguard those being exploited and at risk of exploitation through gangs and 'county lines'.
- 3.3. The funding allocations have been developed and agreed by the PFCC and key strategic partners, and have been approved by the Home Office.

#### 4. Background and proposal

4.1. As agreed in the VRU bid to the Home Office, the PFCC will provide the following funding allocations:

Thurrock Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Health Analyst.</li><li>• Working through the local youth council to undertake bespoke pieces of work.</li><li>• Interventions for those at highest risk / most at need, including intensive packages.</li></ul>	£66,284
Southend-on-Sea Borough Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Working through the local youth council to undertake bespoke pieces of work.</li><li>• Interventions for those at highest risk / most at need, including intensive packages.</li></ul>	£36,284
Essex County Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public health practitioner.</li><li>• Commissioning resource.</li><li>• Working through the local youth assembly to undertake bespoke pieces of work.</li><li>• Capacity-building youth service model, delivered in and around colleges.</li><li>• Interventions for those at highest risk / most at need, including intensive packages.</li></ul>	£323,832
		<b>£426,400</b>

#### 5. Alternative options considered and rejected

5.1. No alternative options considered as the content of the bid has already been approved by the Home Office.

#### 6. Police and Crime Plan

6.1. This funding will enable partner organisations to support the priorities within the Police and Crime Plan, including protecting children and vulnerable people from harm and reversing the trend in serious violence.

#### 7. Police operational implications

7.1. There are no operational implications for Essex Police

#### 8. Financial implications

8.1. The PFCC will allocate £426,400 from the 2019-20 Violence & Vulnerability Fund to the range of organisations as outlined in section 4.1 above. This is passported funding that the PFCC has received from the Home Office as part of a successful bid to the Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) Fund. Essex secured

£1.16m for use in financial year 2019-20. This is the second tranche of funding to transfer that money to local delivery partners.

**9. Legal implications**

9.1. No legal implications

**10. Staffing implications**

10.1. Employment of staff or sessional workers will be the responsibility of the relevant delivery organisation. No liability will be placed on the PFCC or other funders as a result of this grant funding.

**11. Equality and Diversity implications**

11.1. No equality and diversity implications

**12. Risks**

12.1. There are no specific risks associated with this funding

**13. Governance Boards**

13.1. This funding covers a range of agencies and is discussed at various partnership boards, including the Violence and Vulnerability Strategic Executive Group, Round Table and Operations Board as well as internal PFCC meetings. The PFCC's submission to the Home Office was signed off by members of the Operations Board, acting with the approval of the Strategic Executive Group.

**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: Phillip [Signature]

Print: P. Bevan-Brewster

Date: 19 September 2019

Chief Finance Officer / Treasurer Sign: [Signature]

Print: ABBEY GUN

Date: 19/9/19

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Chief Executive/Treasurer

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Sign: ..... *[Handwritten Signature]*

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**PFCC/Deputy PFCC**

Date signed: ..... *[Handwritten Date]*

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Date signed: .....

