

PFCC Decision Report

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<p>Title of report: PFCC CSP core funding 2020-21</p>
<p>Area of county / stakeholders affected: Countywide</p>
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1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. To approve the allocation of annual grants from the PFCC's 2020-21 Community Safety Fund to the 14 Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) across Essex

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of £332,724 to Essex CSPs to support local priorities and deliver against the deliverables within the Police and Crime Plan

3. Benefits of the proposal

- 3.1. This grant funding will support CSPs to deliver against their statutory duties, undertake local initiatives, and support the work of the PFCC and Essex Police.
- 3.2. This funding enables CSPs to engage with local communities and residents, and to commission activity to improve local community safety outcomes. The funding will also enable the centralised Southend, Essex and Thurrock Domestic Abuse (SETDA) Team to undertake Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs) to review agency practices and learn and disseminate lessons from domestic homicides.

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. The PFCC will provide the following grant funding allocations:

CSP area	£
Basildon	25,849
Braintree	17,739
Brentwood	14,106
Castle Point	15,190
Chelmsford	19,191
Colchester	22,511
Epping Forest	19,268
Harlow	24,362
Maldon	12,527
Rochford	12,337
Southend-on-Sea	27,714
Tendring	25,094
Thurrock	24,976
Uttlesford	11,693
CSP "top-slice" to SETDA DHR fund	37,167
PFCC SETDA DHR fund contribution	23,000
	332,724

- 4.2. This funding is used by CSPs to support their core activities and statutory responsibilities to:
- establish a strategic group to direct the work of the community safety partnership
 - regularly engage and consult with the local community about their community safety priorities
 - set up protocols and systems for sharing information between partners
 - collect and analyse available intelligence and data, including recorded crime levels and patterns, in order to identify need and priorities in an annual strategic assessment
 - develop and publish a partnership plan
 - produce a local strategy to reduce reoffending
- 4.3. The PFCC will monitor CSPs' use of the funding by:
- Reviewing a copy of each CSP's annual strategic assessment and/or partnership plan
 - Request and review an outline of how PFCC grant funding will be used, and how that impacts on the priorities of the Plan
 - Receiving a report outlining how funding was utilised in the previous year, and providing evidence of its impact
 - Attending individual meetings with each CSP manager and Chair to discuss performance, issues, and possible developments.
 - Attending partnership meetings such as Safer Essex, Essex Community Safety Network Executive and the Community Safety Hub Steering Group
- 4.4. The PFCC has maintained the funding to CSPs at 2019-20 levels.

5. Alternative options considered and rejected

- 5.1. The PFCC has the opportunity to reduce or withdraw this funding but that would risk destabilising local partnerships and significantly reducing the positive impact of local CSPs.

6. Police and Crime Plan

- 6.1. This funding will enable CSPs to support the priorities within the Police and Crime Plan, primarily cracking down on anti-social behaviour and protecting children and vulnerable people from harm. The DHR fund contribution will support local partners through lessons learnt to break the cycle of domestic abuse.

7. Police operational implications

- 7.1. No direct operational implications

8. Financial implications

- 8.1. The PFCC will provide one-off annual grants equalling £332,724 to the CSPs and SETDA partnership as listed in section 4.1 above. These grants will be subject to the PFCC's standard funding agreement conditions. Payments will be made from the PFCC's 2020-21 Community Safety Fund.

9. Legal implications

- 9.1. This funding is subject to the PFCC's standard grant agreement.

10. Staffing implications

- 10.1. The use of this funding to employ staff or sessional workers will be the responsibility of the host organisation. No liabilities for staffing, immediate or ongoing, will be placed on the PFCC as a result of this funding.

11. Equality and Diversity implications

- 11.1. The PFCC has a responsibility through the Public Sector Equality Duty to consider how their decisions affect people who are protected under the Equality Act. In order to comply with this duty, the PFCC applies conditions on this funding that:

11.1.1. The Recipient shall not unlawfully discriminate within the meaning and scope of any law, enactment, order, or regulation relating to discrimination (whether in race, gender, religion, disability, sexual orientation, age or otherwise) in employment or otherwise.

11.1.2. The Recipient shall take all reasonable steps to secure the observance of Clause 20.1 by all servants, employees or agents of the Recipient and all suppliers and sub-contractors engaged on the Project.

- 11.2. As public bodies, those organisations funded by these grants are also subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty. The PFCC will use monitoring information to

track whether any groups are being, or could be, disproportionately or negatively impacted by any actions resulting from PFCC funding.

12. Risks

12.1. There is a risk that PFCC funding is not effectively used to support the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan. It is expected that our proposed monitoring arrangements, described in section 4.3 above, will be appropriate mitigation to prevent this risk occurring.

13. Governance Boards

13.1. CSP funding is discussed at a range of forums including Safer Essex, the Police, Fire and Crime Panel, and Essex Community Safety Network Executive. It is also discussed at internal PFCC senior management meetings.

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:

Print: P. Brent-Isherwood

Date: 11 March 2020

Chief Finance Officer / Treasurer

Sign:

Print: R. Phillips

Date: 19 March 2020

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Chief Executive/Treasurer

Decision and Final Sign Off

I agree the recommendations to this report:

Sign: 
Print: Roger Hirst

PFCC

Date signed: 27 March 2020

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because:

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PFCC/Deputy PFCC

Date signed: