

PFCC Decision Report

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Title of report: Tendring Mental Health Hub 2020-21

Area of county / stakeholders affected: North East Essex

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1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. To approve the allocation of a fourth annual grant from the PFCC's Community Safety Fund (CSF) to Tendring Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) to support the Tendring Mental Health Hub.
- 1.2. To sign up to an associated Memorandum of Understanding in respect of the project.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. That the PFCC approves the allocation of £25,000 from the 2020-21 CSF to Tendring CAB as a contribution to the continuing operation of the jointly commissioned Tendring Mental Health Hub.
- 2.2. That the PFCC signs up to the associated Memorandum of Understanding attached.

3. Benefits of the proposal

- 3.1. The Tendring Mental Health Hub has a number of key aims, which are to:
 - reduce health and wellbeing dependency;
 - enhance employability of service users;
 - reduce social isolation, poverty, and vulnerability, and to
 - reintegrate service users into the community

In achieving these key aims it is intended that the service will provide a return on investment across public services.

- 3.2. The Hub is based within the Community Clothing Project located in Clacton-on-Sea which provides volunteering opportunities for people with mental ill health, and operates a client drop-in, advice and support service. The Hub provides a safe and supportive environment as well as volunteering opportunities for people with mental ill health which aims to reduce social isolation, and improve self-confidence, resilience and health and wellbeing. The activities support progression of volunteers into mainstream volunteering, training and employment. Additional benefits flow into the community with residents benefiting from reduced poverty, increased physical activity, take up of employment and improvements in health and wellbeing as well as promoting community cohesion.
- 3.3. In the first six months of 2019-20 the Tendring Mental Health hub has:
- Supported 126 clients face-to-face at the drop-in facility
 - Received 490 hours of volunteer time at the Community Clothing Project
 - Provided 2,225 hours of service delivery hours
 - Made 179 onward referrals and signposts to other services.

The project also supports ex-offenders, providing them with opportunities to rehabilitate and reintegrate into society. It also supports victims of abuse, including domestic abuse, and those exploited by criminal gangs.

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. The project is match-funded by Essex County Council, North East Essex CCG and Tendring District Council. The total value of the project is £108,000 per annum. The PFCC will act as lead commissioner for the service for 2020-21.
- 4.2. It is estimated that the project has the potential to achieve crime-related cost benefits of £875,904 per annum based on the Manchester New Economy Model.
- 4.3. The original funding for this project was agreed via decision report 124/17 which indicatively committed the PFCC to provide funding for 3 years and stated that individual decision sheets would be raised for further funding allocations. Decision reports 030/2019 and 074/2019 covered funding for 2018-19 & 2019-20 respectively. This decision report relates to further costs for 2020-21.

5. Alternative options considered and rejected

- 5.1. The PFCC has the option not to provide further funding to this initiative but that would risk destabilising the project and may require the scaling back of this positive intervention. It would be likely to have a negative impact on relations with those partners co-funding this project.

6. Police and Crime Plan

- 6.1. This project will support the PFCC's commitments to protect children and vulnerable people from harm, and support victims of crime. This is also a positive example of partnership working and joint commissioning

7. Police operational implications

- 7.1. No operational implications

8. Financial implications

- 8.1. The PFCC will fund a one-off allocation of £25,000 from the 2020-21 Community Safety Fund to Tendring Citizens Advice Bureau.

9. Legal implications

- 9.1. This project is supported by a partnership Memorandum of Understanding – see attached. This MoU is not intended to be legally binding between any of the parties to it.

10. Staffing implications

- 10.1. No staffing implications. Any liabilities as a result of the recruitment or employment of staff are the responsibility of the host organisation (CAB Tendring) and will not be placed upon the Commissioner.

11. Equality and Diversity implications

- 11.1. The project seeks to engage and involve a diverse range of clients, volunteers, service users, and customers. The provision of a drop-in facility and private assessment/advice rooms aims to provide equality of access for anyone regardless of their need or protected characteristic. The project records, and reports on, demographic information of those that engage with the service.

12. Risks

- 12.1. No risks anticipated from the continued support of this partnership project

13. Governance Boards

- 13.1. This funding was agreed via a task and finish group consisting of members of the local CCG, PFCC, local authority, and Public Health. There are quarterly performance review meetings.

14. Background papers

- 14.1.  Tendring MH Hub
MoU 2020.docx

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: 3 April 2020

Chief Finance Officer / Treasurer

Sign: N/A – Below the threshold for CFO

Print: approval

Date:

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Chief Executive/Treasurer

Decision and Final Sign Off

I agree the recommendations to this report:



Sign:
Roger Hirst

Print:

PFCC

Date signed: 7 April 2020

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because:

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PFCC/Deputy PFCC