

PFCC Decision Report

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Title of report: Police Property Act Fund allocations 2023

Area of county / stakeholders affected: Countywide

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. This report seeks PFCC endorsement of Essex Community Foundation's proposal to allocate £6,000 from the Police Property Act Fund to 4 groups in 2023.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of **£6,000** from Police Property Act Fund to the 4 groups referenced in section 4.1 of this report in contribution towards delivering the priorities in the Police & Crime Plan.

3. Background to the Proposal

- 3.1. The Essex Community Foundation (ECF) administers the Police Property Act Fund on behalf of the PFCC. The Police Property Act Fund is an endowed fund which was established in 2012. The purpose of the Fund is to support charitable ventures in Essex (including Southend and Thurrock). The Fund is managed for the PFCC by Essex Community Foundation. Grants may be distributed on an annual basis according to the stated purpose of the fund, which includes;
- For the prevention of crime
 - The diversion of people from crime

- The rehabilitation of offenders
- The support of victims of crime, and
- Any other initiatives that promote the work of policing services in Essex, Thurrock and Southend-on-Sea

- 3.2. In 2022-3 there were 10 projects identified as matching the objectives of the Police Property Act Fund. The full value of those bids was £70,943. The total funding available through the PPA in 2022-3 is £6,046. The 4 recommended projects are seeking grant funding of £24,113. The PPA contribution of £6,000 will be matched by other ECF held funds to enable the projects to deliver.
- 3.3. This proposal will inform discussion and match-funded allocations at an ECF funding panel on Friday 3rd Feb. 2023

4. Proposal and Associated Benefits

- 4.1. The PFCC endorses the following allocations;

Organisation	Brief Description	Value
South Essex Advocacy Services	To help continue support and awareness of financial abuse for those who have been a victim of this crime in Southend	£1,000
Limes Farm Community Group	Support for footballing sessions for children aged 4-13, living on the Limes Farm estate in Epping Forest, as a diversionary activity aimed at reducing the risk of them becoming involved in ASB and/or criminality	£2,000
Kool Carers South East Limited	To provide youth safety sessions for young carers in the Basildon and Brentwood area	£1,000
Billericay and Basildon Borough Street Pastors	To support creation of a safe hub in Basildon, help with office renovation and assist with ongoing operating expenses of the Street Pastors across Billericay and Basildon districts	£2,000
Total:		£6,000

- 4.2. There are 6 projects deemed to be 'low priority'. The PFCC encourages ECF to explore other funding avenues for these worthwhile causes.

5. Options Analysis

- 5.1. The PFCC has the option not to support this proposal. The PFCC could also ask ECF to reconsider their recommendations and suggest alternative projects for investment, or the PFCC could choose to support some of the projects identified as "low priority". It is, however, considered that the objectives and activities of these four organisations best align with the commitments in the Police and Crime Plan and would support the delivery of the PFCC's priorities.

6. Consultation and Engagement

- 6.1. This proposal has been discussed between the PFCC's Strategic Head of Partnership and Delivery and the Community Foundation to ensure the proposed projects align with the PFCC's plans and priorities.

7. Strategic Links

- 7.1. These projects support delivery against the Police and Crime Plan as well as Essex Police's Crime Prevention strategy.

8. Police operational implications

- 8.1. No operational implications on Essex Police.

9. Financial implications

- 9.1. No direct financial implications on the PFCC's budget. The PFCC is endorsing the Community Foundation's recommendation to allocate £6,000 from the ECF-administered Police Property Act Fund.

- 9.2. An interim PPA Fund statement is included in section 16 below. The Fund shows a balance of £9,046. £3,000 is committed to a project from a previous financial year, and £6,000 of the remainder is planned for allocation in this tranche.

10. Legal implications

- 10.1 This funding is administered and monitored by the Community Foundation.

11. Staffing implications

- 11.1. No staffing implications.

12. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion implications

- 12.1. These projects are tailored towards specific audiences, for instance older people or younger people, with the intention of maximising the engagement and impact with the target group. ECF and delivery organisations are expected to monitor engagement with target groups and ensure compliance with relevant EDI legislation.

13. Risks and Mitigations

- 13.1. No risks identified.

14. Governance Boards

- 14.1. This proposal has not been discussed at any governance boards and is not subject to any further governance.

15. Links to Future Plans

- 15.1. This work supports delivery of the Police & Crime Plan.

16. Background Papers and Appendices



Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the PFCC's Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer prior to review and sign off by the PFCC / DPFCC.


Chief Executive / M.O.

Sign:DHorsman.....

Print:Darren Horsman - Deputy Monitoring Officer.....

Date:27.1.2023.....

Chief Finance Officer

Sign:.....

Print:Janet Perry.....

Date:27 January 2023.....

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Sign: 

Print: Janet Perry

~~Chief Executive~~ / Chief Finance Officer

Decision and Final Sign Off

I agree the recommendations to this report:

Sign: 

Print: ROGER HIRST

PFCC/Deputy PFCC

Date signed: 3 February 2023

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because:

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