

## PFCC Decision Report

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**Classification** Not protectively marked

**Title of report:** Tendring Mental Health Hub 2023-24

**Area of county / stakeholders affected:** Countywide

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### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. This report seeks approval for the PFCC to continue investment towards the costs of the jointly commissioned Tendring Mental Health Hub delivered by Citizens Advice Bureau Tendring.

### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1. That the PFCC approves the allocation of £25,000 from the 2023-24 Community Safety Fund to Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) Tendring as a contribution towards delivery of the Tendring Mental Health Hub.

### 3. Background to the Proposal

- 3.1. The Tendring Mental Health Hub began in 2017. It has since grown in scope and scale, with new premises acquired in 2023 on Clacton High Street.
- 3.2. The project is match-funded by Essex County Council, Suffolk and North-East Essex Integrated Care Board and Tendring District Council. The SNEE ICB undertakes the lead commissioner role, providing a main point of contact and interface for partners and with the Hub and co-ordinating reporting.
- 3.3. The total cost of the Hub is around £150,000 p.a. Previous estimates suggest the project has the potential to achieve crime-related cost benefits of £875,904 per annum based on the Manchester New Economy Model.

- 3.4. The original funding for this project was agreed via decision 124/17 which committed the PFCC to providing funding for an initial three years. Decisions 030/19, 074/19, 039/20, 037/21 and 058-22 covered funding for 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 respectively. This decision report relates to costs for 2023-24.

#### **4. Proposal and Associated Benefits**

- 4.1. In partnership with Essex County Council, the Suffolk and North-East Essex ICB, and Tendring District Council, the PFCC has been funding the Tendring Mental Health Hub since 2017-18.
- 4.2. The key aims of the Tendring Mental Health Hub remain to:
- improve health and wellbeing and reduce dependence on health services;
  - enhance the employability of service users;
  - reduce social isolation, poverty, and vulnerability, and to
  - reintegrate service users into the community.
- 4.3. 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, 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.
- 4.4. The PFCC published a press release about the impact of the Hub in 2023 which can be viewed here: <https://www.essex.pfcc.police.uk/news/mental-health-hub-is-making-a-positive-impact-in-tendring/>

#### **5. Options Analysis**

- 5.1. This project is regarded as a positive piece of joint commissioning across health, the local authority and policing to achieve shared and joint outcomes. The PFCC has the option to cease investment, but this risks the financial viability of the project and would not support achievement of the project's numerous positive outcomes.

#### **6. Consultation and Engagement**

- 6.1. This project is overseen by a group of commissioners who receive regular reports and meet to discuss the project.

#### **7. Strategic Links**

- 7.1. This project has the potential to improve access to volunteering, training and work opportunities for those that have previously offended and victims of crime.

## **8. Police operational implications**

8.1. There are no operational implications for Essex Police.

## **9. Financial implications**

9.1. The total costs of the Hub are around £153,300 p.a. Funding is broken down across a number of sources, shown in the table below:

<b>Stakeholder</b>	<b>Contribution</b>
SNEE ICB	£36,000
ECC	£30,000
TDC	£23,000
PFCC	£25,000
NEE HWB Alliance - Feel Well Domain	£19,500
Shop Takings	£19,800

9.2. The PFCC will allocate a grant of £25,000 from the 2023-24 Community Safety Fund to Citizens Advice Bureau Tendring for the Tendring Mental Health Hub.

## **10. Legal implications**

10.1 This funding will be subject to the PFCC's standard funding agreement.

## **11. Staffing implications**

11.1. Monitoring of this project will be undertaken by the PFCC's Commissioning Officer. That post is currently vacant.

## **12. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion implications**

12.1. The mental health hub seeks to engage and involve a diverse range of clients, volunteers, service users, and customers aged 18 and over. The new location in a more central site encourages individuals to drop in, providing equality of access for anyone regardless of their needs or any protected characteristics. The project records, and reports on, the demographic information of those that engage with the service.

## **13. Risks and Mitigations**

13.1. No risks have been identified.

## **14. Governance Boards**

14.1. This project is led by an oversight group of commissioners from the funding organisations. Regular reports are provided giving updates on the project's delivery.

**15. Links to Future Plans**

- 15.1. This work supports delivery of the Police and Crime Plan and Essex Police Force Plan.

**16. Background Papers and Appendices**

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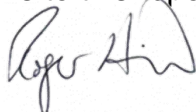
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**Chief Executive / Chief Finance Officer**

**Decision and Final Sign Off**

I agree the recommendations to this report:

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**Print:** Roger Hirst

**PFCC**

**Date signed:** 09/06/2023

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