Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Notice of Decision

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DECISION OR INFORMATION:	Decision
DATE RECEIVED:*	25/10/2021
REF:* (to be inserted by the OPCC)	2021.107

TITLE:	2021.22 Make Notts Safe Fund

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The PCC is requested to confirm her verbal agreement to award up to £131,008.52 to 16 third sector organisations through the new 2021-22 Make Notts Safe Fund.

The Commissioner has a vision to 'make Nottinghamshire safe and feel safe' and outlined a number of areas of activity where third sector organisations may be well placed to deliver projects to help meet her overall priorities as part of this fund. These were as follows:

Preventing

- Crime prevention initiatives and early help interventions that deal with the causes rather than consequences of crime.
- Outreach work focussed on high risk crime and ASB locations which seek to identify at risk individuals and provide them with advice and support to prevent them from future involvement.
- The provision of education and diversionary activities (including sport, arts, music, drama etc) in communities, set up in key locations and at key times that aim to steer young people away from crime.
- Work with key partners to reduce reoffending and tackle the drivers of crime and ASB.

Responding

- Community led initiatives to raise public awareness and prevent issues of the greatest concern to local communities, such as ASB, speeding and rural crime.

Supporting

- Community led initiatives to increase reporting of local issues and improve victim ad communities trust and confidence in the police.
- Capacity building for small community organisations supporting victims with protected characteristics.
- Pre National Referral Mechanism (NRM) support for victims of modern slavery.
- Piloting of new innovative support for victims that meet a current gap.

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INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (eg report or business case)

In October 2021 the new PCC announced her first Make Notts Safe Fund. The aim of the fund is to provide small grants to third sector community based organisations to enable local delivery against the Commissioner's priorities. Grants of up to £10,000 were available.

The small grant recipients were selected through a robust assessment process in which all applications were assessed by a minimum of two officers from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner against a scored matrix. Expert input was also sought, where appropriate, from specialists eg hate crime, domestic and sexual abuse. A draft funding list was then submitted to an independent funding panel which included senior police officers, representatives from the CDP and SNB and representatives from both City and County Youth Justice. The panel agreed the final list of recommendations which went to the PCC. The PCC agreed that 16 projects would be funded to a total value of £131,008.52. Of these 16:

- 13 projects at a total value of £101,068.52 would be funded via the 2021/22 Community Safety Grant; and
- 3 projects at a total value of £29,940 would be funded and overseen by the Violence Reduction Unit.

Brief details of the 16 grant recipients are detailed below – further information about these grants is available on the PCC's website. Please note that all the grant funding is subject to organisations meeting specific funding criteria.

Organisation Name	Project Name	Total Funded £
AJ Sport Academy CIC	Growing Young Leaders to make Nottingham safe	5,000.00
Al-Hurraya **	Reaching Out	10,000.00
Broxtowe Women's Project	Nott on our Watch	4,000.00
Communities Unite	Be the Change	6,050.00
Epic Partners	Community Kickboxing	5,285.00
Helping Kids Achieve CIC **	Bulwell Outreach	9,940.00
Jericho Road project	Outreach and Support	5,000.00
Life Skills Education Charity	Life Skills Game for Stapleford Football Club	10,000.00
Nottingham Muslim Women's Network	Engage, Inform, Empower	7,538.52
OneConversation	Let's Talk	9,020.00
Stonebridge City Farm	Think Forward	9,400.00
Redthread Nottinghamshire	Redthread @ KingsMill	10,000.00
Support Through Sport CIC **	County Engagement	10,000.00
Unity in the Community	Second Chance Project	10,000.00
Warsop Youth and Community	Warsop Youth Club	10,000.00
YMCA Newark and Sherwood	Sport and Outreach for NEET Young People	9,775.00

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total revenue funding of £131,008.52 from 2021.22 budget of which £101,068.52 is from Community Safety Grant and £29,940 is Violence Reduction Unit funding.

Signature: Chief Finance Officer	[redacted]

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OFFICER APPROVAL:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signature: Chief Executive	S.M. Cassell
Date:	27th October 2021

DECLARATION:

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval

Signature: Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioner	
Date:	1st November 2021

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