



# **Community Chest Call for Proposals**

# June 2022



#### Introduction

The Make Notts Safe Community Chest provides seed corn and other funding for third sector community based organisations, and in some cases Parish Councils, to enable local delivery against PCC priorities in the *Make Notts Safe Plan*. Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

There are two application windows for the Make Notts Safe Community Chest each financial year – one in January and one in June. There is a total of up to £25,000 grant funding available in each application round giving a total grant fund of £50,000 over the 2022-23 financial year. If a grant is successfully awarded it must be spent and delivered by the end of the financial year – in this case, March 2023.

### Context

The objective of the Community Chest is to fund third sector organisations to provide community led activity to meet *Make Notts Safe Plan* priorities.

The PCC would like to support third sector organisations to undertake activity that clearly meets a need and is closely aligned to the *Make Notts Safe Plan* priorities. Organisations often approach the PCC for small amounts of funding to: help fund community events to build trust and confidence in Nottinghamshire Police; run small scale activities for young people at risk; develop new services with a small amount of seed corn funding; undertake outreach or awareness raising initiatives or other projects or research with key groups; purchase small items of equipment for community initiatives eg speedwatch; and to support individuals who are affected by crime who may not be accessing commissioned victim support services. The Community Chest can support these types of activity.

#### Scope

The Make Notts Safe Community Chest will fund third sector organisation to deliver projects or initiatives that meet the following criteria:

- They meet an identified need or gap in the local community;
- The proposal to meet this need is aligned to one of the PCC's three strategic priorities:
  - Preventing crime and protecting people from harm
  - Responding efficiently and effectively to local needs
  - Supporting victims, survivors, witnesses and communities

## **Outcomes and Evaluation**

#### Outcomes

All funded project/initiatives should align with the PCC's priorities and should therefore seek to achieve at least one of the following outcomes for participants:

- Reduced offending or risk of offending
- Reduced victimisation
- Reduced involvement in statutory services
- Improved attendance at school/ college, including better behaviour and attainment
- Improved awareness of local support services
- Improved relationships with Nottinghamshire Police
- Improved awareness of particular crimes/vulnerabilities
- Improved community relationships

#### Monitoring and evaluation

Successful applicants will be expected to provide a short monitoring report at the end of the project or initiative to tell Notts OPCC what the funding has achieved.

### **Other PCC Grant Funding**

Please note, we are expecting three further rounds of PCC Make Notts Safe Thematic Grant funding to be announced in the first week of July. The themes will relate to Hate Crime, Rural Crime and Communities. If your funding bid relates to one of the above themes you may want to take a look at the thematic funding information before you apply to the Community Chest to ensure you are applying to the most relevant funding pot.

Briefing events in relation to the Make Notts Safe Thematic Grants will be held week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> July – all details will be posted on the Commissioners website.