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TITLE: Knife Crime Projects 2018/19

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The PCC is requested to confirm his verbal agreement to use the PCC and Chief Constable's joint fund to provide three grants to third sector organisations to provide targeted programmes to divert children and young people away from knife crime.

INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (e.g report or business case)

The grant recipients applied through the Community Safety Fund and went through the same robust assessment process in which all applications were assessed by two officers from NOPCC against a scored matrix. A draft funding list was submitted to an independent funding panel which included senior police officers, representatives from the CDP and SNB as well as expert input from the Knife Crime Strategy Manager. The panel agreed the final list of recommendations which went to the PCC. The PCC agreed that 3 projects would be funded to a total value of up to £50,130. The projects are as follows:

- 1. Up to £20,130 to Nottingham Forest Community Trust to deliver the Lives not Knives Project. This project will use the positive power of professional football to engage young people in high quality structured activity providing free access to established diversionary programmes. There will be a clear referral process for partner agencies to refer in young people at risk. These young people will then be offered access to diversionary Kicks programmes taking part in football and multi-sports sessions that focus on supporting positive communication, respecting rules that support safe behaviour, healthy physical activity, working as a team and helping young people realise their potential. There will also be opportunities for young people to access level 2 and 3 BTEC education programmes (16-19yr olds) which provide increased opportunity for employment and higher education achievement.
- 2. Up to £15,000 to Switch Up CIC to deliver the Don't Hate be Mate Project. This project will deliver free boxing sessions for young people at risk of knife or hate crime or extremist views. Again there will be a clear referral process for partner agencies to refer in young people at risk. The boxing sessions will encourage young people to work with each other and develop healthy relationships based on their shared love for sports. Boxing is known to develop not only physical but also mental and emotional resilience. Also, being part of a team develops the sense of belonging.
- 3. Up to £15,000 to Fearless Youth Association for the Tackling Knife Crime through Safe Space Project.

Provision of a physical and online 'Safe Space' where young people can meet and discuss issues while learning skills and getting direct support from partner agencies and local statutory bodies. The focus will be around improving relationships with partner agencies and diverting

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young people from crime and anti-social behaviour. Again clear referral processes will be in place with partner agencies where they will refer those individuals most at risk to this project if it is felt it would be beneficial

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (please include if is it capital or revenue or both. What the split is and the totals being requested. Is this a virement/ something already budgeted for or something that requires additional funding. Are there any savings that can be offered up/or achieved)

The funding requested is revenue, only actual costs will be funded, with third sector recipients returning any unused funding. The amount is available in the 2018-9 commissioning budget.

Signature:

Chief Finance Officer

Date:

19th April 2018

Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or Yes	No	X
confidential information**?		
If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**		

DECISION:

To agree to award up to £50,130 from the PCC and Chief Constable's joint fund to 3 third sector organisations as follows:

- Up to £20,130 to Nottingham Forest Community Trust to deliver the Lives not Knives Project.
- Up to £15,000 to Switch Up CIC to deliver the Don't Hate be Mate Project.
- Up to £15,000 to Fearless Youth Association for the Tackling Knife Crime through Safe Space 3. Project.

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

Date: 24/4/18

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 and Crime Commissioner

Date:

* See guidance on non public information