

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE

DECISION RECORD

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DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Date: 21.10.2019

Officers present: The Police and Crime Commissioner, Paul Hindson, Michael Macleod, Liz McDermott and Andy Furlong.

Received in OPCC Date: 01.11.2019

OPCC Ref: EXE0018/19

Title: Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) Prevention Fund – Early Intervention Youth Fund Successful Bids

Summary of Issue:

In July 2019, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire announced that he had received £347,000 from the Home Office's Early Intervention Youth Fund and decided to make available £100,000 of this funding through his grants programme. 'The Police and Crime Commissioner's Prevention Fund – Early Intervention' was aimed at those projects which engage with and support young people who are either offending or on the edge of offending across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. The funding opportunity was launched on 5th August 2019 and closed on 1st October 2019.

Grants awarded

The PCC received 19 bid applications. All applications were assessed in line with the Police and Crime Commissioner's Prevention Fund – Early Intervention documentation and on the 21.10.2019 the applications were presented to the PCC for consideration and final approval.

The PCC reviewed these applications together with the officers present and the PCC agreed to fund 12 of the bid applications for one year only. The total funding approved was £109,328.50 as broken down by provider in the table below. The additional funding required will be funded through the use of underspends within the Early Intervention Youth Fund. This is subject to Home Office approval. If their approval is not forthcoming then this will be funded via the Commissioning Reserve.

Recommendation(s) presented:

Organisation name	Name of project	Project brief	Funding year 1
Creative Futures Midlands C.I.C	Lookin' Up!	This will be an extension of the existing project 'Smart Start' and this funding will help to deliver 14 four hour sessions over 8 months. This will be run by lead practitioner Liam who will be supported by an assistant and 4 visiting experts. The project involves mentoring by those with shared experiences who have gone on to become successful entrepreneurs.	£9,880.00
Tall Ships Youth Trust	Sailing Beyond Expectations	To support 10 young people aged 12-25 who are either offending or at risk of offending. The objectives of this project are to equip the young people with the self-esteem/skills	£8,440.00

		necessary to realise their potential, improve their attitude, thinking and behaviour and prevent them from turning to crime. This will be through a four night sailing trip where the young people will have to work as a team in a unique/challenging situation.	
City of Leicester ABC	Champion Spirit	To deliver three extra boxing classes per week to young people. These sessions will focus on delivering the contender am-box programme pioneered by the Metropolitan Police in their battle to tackle gang and knife crime. There will also be a 1-2-1 element of coaching and advising/signposting attendees so they can receive help with any difficulties.	£14,800.00
Iconic Music, Drama and Dance Ltd (Social Enterprise)	Stop The Hurt - Turn the Spotlight on Knife Crime Project	Using the performing arts participants will develop valuable skills such as decision making, problem-solving and non-violence conflict resolution techniques. 20 NEET young people will be engaged with to turn the spotlight on knife crime and the devastating effect it has on victims, families, perpetrators and society.	£9,793.00
Leicester Sporting Futures	KB in the Community	The project will deliver and outreach, engagement and capacity-building programme to engage at least 10 local community groups/clubs. There will be a capacity/skills analysis of the organisation, its volunteers, staff and participants, and help the group develop a robust prevention approach to knife crime. The aim of this 12 month programme is to guide those groups so that they can continue to deliver informed prevention activities independently.	£9,320.00
Pedestrian	Positive Choices	Positive Choices has two key strands, prevention focussed intervention and future-focussed positive engagement and mentoring, delivered within intensive week-long programmes for young people currently involved in or at high risk of knife crime via Leicester City YOS.	£7,300.00
Knighton Mead Primary Academy	Boxing to Break the Cycle	This project will provide a positive role model or mentor who will relate to our most at risk pupils and open their eyes to other possibilities of how they could live their lives and what their future could be. The school/coach will run one session a week, after school for an hour. An accredited, vetted coach would be used to deliver this session and a member of school staff would remain watching the session to ensure it is of the quality and is delivering the outcomes we wish for.	£1,139.50
Zinthyia Trust	Young People Employment and Skill Project	Participants on the programme will be enrolled on a 4 week work placement that will cut across various sectors such as catering and hospitality, retail and customer service, office administration, social media, community media reporting and community development to encourage and stimulate the experience and keep them engaged in the programme.	£9,700.00
The Baca Charity	Leaving Care Project	If the young people receive a positive decision on their leave to remain in the UK application, the next step is moving on from Baca. This step is challenging for the young people, both emotionally and practically. As part of this project Baca will create a new 'Leaving Care' support worker role who will become an advocate for the young person leaving care and will guide them on a 1:1 basis to help them navigate the benefits and social housing application process.	£9,863.00

		Also Baca will be expanding the existing 'Education Coordinator' role by 10 hours per week, they will work 1:1 with young people to ensure they have opportunities to learn new skills through accessing work-experience, traineeships, apprenticeships, or even additional educational support at Baca.	
Unit 66 and Youth Community Development	Box-Well for Health, Fitness and Well-Being (Knife, Gang, ASB, Drug Crime Reduction and Youth & Community Development)	This project will deliver boxing, kickboxing and MMA sessions in a safe MMA and boxing gym environment in the Spinney Hills area of Leicester. Sessions will be delivered 4 times a week, with more sessions added if necessary. Sessions involve mentoring the participants in the development of their lives, focusing on particular personal, social and mental aspects. Such aspects will include developing and building positive relationships with family and peers, education and employment prospects, crime and antisocial behaviour prevention, intervention, focusing on alcohol & drug awareness, gang & knife/weapon crime awareness and reduction.	£9,999.00
Northfield and District Play Association	Playbarn Youth Project	The aim of the project is to provide a safe and engaging environment off the streets where young people can come and enjoy themselves, with a main focus on; socialising, informal education, fun and engaging physical activities, life skills, inclusivity. There will be two youth sessions a week (Monday and Friday) with two youth workers and two volunteers.	£9,999.00
Youth Educations Projects and Opal 22 Arts and Edutainment	HEART Not Knives - The Story of Shaka!	This project will recreate the story of Shaka! Funding will go towards the production of an open air theatre show to tell the story inspired by Shaka Zulu, the illegitimate African Prince as his life has many parallels to modern day families living in the UK. This will act as a diversion for 10-15 at risk children who will work with experienced directors, script writers and set designers with each of these mentoring the young people throughout the project.	£9,095.00

Key discussion points

All bid applications were discussed in detail with the final decision on all bids made by the PCC.

OFFICE OF PCC APPROVAL

Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that 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: 

Name: PAUL HARRISON Date: 7/11/19

Publication Scheme

Decision of Monitoring Officer:

As Monitoring Officer for the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire I have determined that:

It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner : **Yes**

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the report proposing this course of action prepared by either of the senior post holders in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire (i.e. either the Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer) : **Yes**

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire : **Yes**

Reasons for any non Publication (referencing appropriate legislation): **None**

Signature: 

Name: ANGELA PERRY
DEPUTY MONITORING OFFICER

Date: 11 NOVEMBER 2019

Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire

Having received the advice set out above and reviewed relevant documentation my decision in regard of this matter is:

Supported

Signature: 

Date: 12.11.19