

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE *DECISION RECORD*

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DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Date: 13/2/2024

Officers present: Sajan Devshi

Received in OPCC Date: 13/2/2024

OPCC Ref: EXE005-24

Title: Safer Streets 5 Interventions

Summary of Issue:

In August 2023, the OPCC was given the opportunity to bid for funding from the Home Office as part of Safer Streets Round 5. There were 3 themes outlined that the Home Office wanted to see tackled for relevant areas which were VAWG (Violence against women and girls), Neighbourhood crime and ASB (Antisocial Behaviour). There was a 50% match funding element also required meaning for whatever we bid for, we had to find approximately 50% in match funding from within our own expenditure for the themes being applied for.

The delivery period for Safer Streets 5 was to be from October 2023 to March 2025 and therefore 18 months. The first grant given from the Home Office would cover the first 6 months which is October 2023 to the end of March 2024 (6 months). The second grant will cover April 2024 to March 2025 (12 months).

Upon applying, we were told we were successful in our bids although afterwards, we were told that year 2 would have a reduction of £180k in funding which required us to adjust our year 2 delivery plans.

For Oadby and Wigston the intended interventions with the reductions factored in are as follows.

Intervention	Year 1 amount	Year 2 amounts
Neighbourhood Crime Campaign via Crime Stoppers	£11,000.00 - (£10,000.00 for Crimestoppers and £1000.00 for printed materials). This was for a winter awareness, education campaign.	None. (Removed due to reduction in funding but previously year 2 amount was £11,000.00 with £10k for Crimestoppers Campaign and £1k for printed materials)
Re-deployable CCTV	£85,060.00 - X10 re-deployable CCTV camera purchases and testing and conversions of up to 60 lighting columns to allow for cameras to be moved.	None.
Fixed CCTV Upgrades	£11,000.00 – This will pay for x2 fixed dedicated columns and cameras	None.
Target Hardening	£56,250.00 – This will pay for target hardening items to improve home security. The goal was up to 400	£43,750.00 – This will contribute towards paying for target hardening items to improve home security. The goal was up

	houses in total to be target hardened with either/or CCTV camera upgrades, window alarms, 24hr segment timers, faraday pouches.	to 400 houses in total to be target hardened with either/or CCTV camera upgrades, window alarms, 24hr segment timers, faraday pouches. This was reduced by £50k from £93,750 due to a reduction in Home Office funding.
Cocooning packs	£16,958.00 – This will pay for various cocooning packs, up to 1300 in total at a cost of up to £13 each.	None.

For Melton Mowbray the intended interventions were as follows:

Intervention	Year 1 amounts	Year 2 amounts
Buddhi by M	£18,600.00 for delivery with £1170 for potential room hire costs – This intervention is a bespoke package of weekly sessions for adults and young people with schools/colleges to provide educational and supportive tools to increase awareness of ASB and other secondary crime types. This involves a holistic approach with activities around mindfulness, heartfulness, kindness, creative arts and self-management.	None. (Removed due to reduction in funding but previously this was set to be £37,200 with £2,340 for possible room hire costs).
Streetvibe	£12,144.00 - This is a targeted educational outreach programme for young people which focuses on providing support, education, diversion and behavioural change in respect to ASB.	£20,332.40 – this would pay for the continuation of the Streetvibe intervention until March 2025.
CCTV upgrades	£18,029.50 - X3 CCTV Cameras, x4 Solar Fly Tipping cameras	£2,985 – this is for maintenance costs.
Solar Vision lighting	£39,564.00 – x12 lights (lighting) on ASB hotspots that are identified.	£1,083 – this is to pay for maintenance costs.
WCCTV Help Point with Dome Camera	£14,200.00 - This is a redeployable come camera with an audio address system and two-way control that allows people in distress to directly access their local police control room.	£400 – this is to pay for maintenance costs.
Target Hardening	£16,875.00 – This is to purchase target hardening items including CCTV cameras, video doorbells and other security items to secure homes. The goal was up to 130 home upgrades in total using year 1 and year 2 funding.	£31,875 – This is to continue the target hardening improvements to reach the goal of 130+ homes.
Training of practitioners for ASB	£28,000.00 – This is to provide training of up to 14 individuals (when also including full year 2 funding) including housing officers, police officers and community safety officers to upskill them in tackling ASB within the community.	None. (Removed due to reduction in funding but previously this was to be £28k).

This decision record is for the target hardening items we are looking to purchase from a supplier directly (video doorbells, CCTV cameras, window alarms, faraday pouches to protect keyless vehicles,

cocooning items) that were all outlined in the delivery plan submitted to the Home Office as part of our original bid. The original 18-month delivery plan at the time of the bid was to have up to 400 homes target hardened within Oadby and Wigston and 1300 homes delivered with cocooning items and up to 130 homes target hardened in Melton Mowbray.

Key discussion points

All aspects of the Safer Street 5 bid have been discussed in detail to reach this point. If we are not able to proceed with the necessary purchases, it is highly possible we will not be able to deliver on the target hardening (or other) elements of Safer Street 5.

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: Kira Hughes

Date: 24/4/2024

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 details of the decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire : **Yes**

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

Signature:

Name: Claire Trewartha

Date: 24/4/2024

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

Rupert Matthews

Date:24/4/2024