

Decision Record Template



Date of Decision: 5th March 2025

Lead Officer: Heather Pearce

Decision Record URN: EXE0003-25

Title: **Commissioner's Safety Fund – Round 2 – 2024/2025**

Decision summary:

In 2021/22 the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) launched his grant programme, The Commissioner's Safety Fund. Round 2 is the second general round of the 2024/2025 financial year.

Round 2 opened for applications on 2nd December 2024 and closed on 6th January 2025. 58 applications were submitted during this time, with 1 application later being withdrawn, therefore totalling 57 applications. The applications were assessed in line with the Commissioners Safety Fund criteria and moderated by a panel on 20/01/2025 – 27/01/2025. Of the 57, 17 applications scored 75% or above (with 1 later withdrawing), 5 scored 71.15%, 20 scored between 61%-70% and 15 scored less than 60%.

Due to the volume of applications and the quality of bids received, the decision was made award funding to applications scoring 75% or higher, for a total of £158,398.68.

Decision Sought:

Funding of £158,398.68 towards the following 16 applications:

Project, Organisation	Sum bid for
Lawrence House, Hinckley Homeless Group	£9,746.00
Education drop-ins for young asylum seekers, After18	£10,000.00
Girls Rock!, Pedestrian Ltd	£10,000.00
ROWLATTS HILL YOUTH HUB, GOLDENTOKEN CIC	£10,000.00
Resilience Building of Women Subject to Violence & Aggression, Joint Application from partnership of 2 Organisations: Peepul Centre (Lead Applicant) Leicester Community Links CIC	£9,950.00
Gloves Up: Breaking Barriers for Youth, Leicester Combat Academy	£10,000.00
Forest School for those Affected by Domestic Abuse, Root-and-Branch Out CIC	£10,000.00
Leicester Post Sexual Abuse Service, Family Action	£9,579.43
Positive Paths, HHH	£9,880.00
'Make a Fresh Start' group - HMP Leicester, The Recovery Consultancy Limited t/a Dear Albert	£9,996.00
Pathways to Prevention: A Whole-Child, School, and Community Initiative, Restorative Practice Training and Consultancy	£10,000.00
Neurodiversity community project, Neurodiversity Support Cic	£10,000.00
At The Kitchen Table, Platform Thirty1 Limited	£9,971.25
Volunteer It Yourself (VIY for short), Volunteer It Yourself CIC	£9,300.00
Victim Assistance Fund for Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland, Catch22 (delivering Leicestershire Victim First)	£10,000.00
Friday Club, Muslim Khatri Association UK	£9,976.00
	Total £158,398.68.

Supporting information

1) Background information

In 2021/22 the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) launched his grant programme, The Commissioner's Safety Fund.

The Commissioner's Safety Fund aims to support community-based groups, grassroots organisations, registered charities, Parish Councils and schools by channelling funding into projects that support the achievement of the priorities and objectives within the Police and Crime Plan 2024-2029.

2) Detail of additional information attached.

Please refer to the above summary.

3) Expected benefits.

To channel funding into community organisations with the purpose of reducing the risk of crime and increasing public safety.

4) Impact of not approving the application

Not applicable as the decision has been agreed based on the grant recommendation.

5) Financial implications (including any cost savings)

Please see above.

6) Consultations (Details of any consultations that have been carried out or reason as to why no consultations has taken place):

Not applicable. A consultation was not required given that this was a general round, meaning applicants were able to submit applications that aligned with any of the Police and Crime Plan priorities.

7) Collaboration (is there an opportunity to collaborate with partners)

Not Applicable.

8) Equality, Diversity & Human Rights implications

All funded organisations have the relevant policies in place which they adhere to.

9) Legal comments

Funding agreements have been drafted and implemented by the Force Legal Team which are followed.

10) Publication

To be completed

It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner: **Yes** / Part Redacted / No

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the supporting papers:
Yes / Part Redacted / No

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire: **Yes** / Part Redacted / No

Reasons for any non-Publication (referencing appropriate legislation):

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Chief Finance Officer: Kira Knott

Comments:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report and assurances sought have been outlined within the report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Signature:



Name: Kira Knott

Date: 04/04/2025

Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer: Claire Trewartha

Comments:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that legal and equalities advice have been taken into account in the preparation of this report and assurances sought have been outlined in this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Signature:



Date: 04/04/2025

Name **Rupert Matthews**

Date: **04/04/2025**

Police and Crime 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:

Approved

I confirm that my register of interests' declaration is up to date and that none of my interests preclude me from making this decision.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rupert Matthews', with a horizontal line underneath.

Date: **04/04/2025**

Name of Police and Crime Commissioner: Rupert Matthews