OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HUMBERSIDE DECISION RECORD

Decision Record Number 36/2024

Title Events Funding

Executive Summary

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Decision of the PCC Approved

Background Report: Open

Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside			
Signature		Date 12/11/2024	

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2. Recommendation(s)

To allocate an initial budget of £10,000 to support events in 2024/25 and 2025/26 which meet the objectives of the Police and Crime Plan as outlined in Section 3 Background and preferred Option 2.

3. Background

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) will sometimes provide funding or sponsorship for events which meet the outcomes of the Police and Crime Plan. This has been subject to separate decision records in the past or has been approved through applications to the Community Safety Fund.

Due to the nature of events, these requests for funding or sponsorship do not always fall within the timescales of the Community Safety Fund nor do they always fit with the eligibility criteria of a particular round.

In order to streamline this process and ensure that event sponsorships / grant funding contributions meet the objectives of the Police and Crime Plan, a specific events budget with an accompanying application process is proposed.

4. Options

Option 1 - Do nothing

This option is not recommended. This approach would not enable support for events which contribute to the outcomes of the Police and Crime Plan.

Option 2 – Allocate a budget of £10,000 to enable a specific application process for events funding / sponsorships consistent with our priorities and that contribute to the outcomes of the Police and Crime Plan (Recommended Option)

This is the preferred option as it enables events to be funded which contribute to delivering the outcomes of the Police and Crime Plan.

A limited budget would be made available for events which are consistent with our priorities. Organisations would be able to apply for a maximum of £1,500 funding towards their proposed event. The fund would be unable to contribute towards events which have taken place prior to submission and are requesting funding retrospectively.

Any event that receives funding from the OPCC would have to ensure that it gives appropriate recognition of the funding, as well as promoting the work of the OPCC and My Community Alert.

5. Financial Implications (Seek financial advice from Chief or Deputy Chief or Deputy Chief Finance Officer)

This proposal will be funded through funds from the Partnership Reserve.

6. Legal Implications (Seek advice from Legal Services)

The PCC has the power to issue grants under Section 143 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

A formal application process will be used to allocate funding to events proposed and will be subject to existing Grant Agreements.

7. Driver for Change/Contribution to Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan

This proposal seeks to provide additional resources to enhance the impact on the outcomes of the Police and Crime Plan through events which contribute towards delivering a range of outcomes from the Police and Crime Plan including:

- More people volunteering in community safety roles
- Organisations equipped to respond to evolving crime issues
- Place-based approaches that respond to community safety issues
- Education and support for young people, preventing them being impacted by crime
- Reduced impact of drugs in our communities
- Reduced high-harm offending / reoffending by working together to protect the most vulnerable in society
- Safer roads for all users
- Better partnership working
- Innovative approaches to community safety

Applicants will be required to demonstrate how their proposed event will contribute towards one or more of these outcomes.

8. Equalities Implications (Have due regard to the Public Section Equality Duty)

No direct implications. Assessment of applications will consider any potential negative impacts on those with protected characteristics.

9. Consultation

Consultation has taken place with:

- Chief Executive
- Head of Policy and Partnerships
- Data Protection Officer

10. Media information (Seek advice from Head of Communications)

As a condition of the funding, applicants will be expected to promote the work of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and drive signups to My Community Alert (the free messaging system operated by Humberside Police, Humberside Fire & Rescue Service, and Humberside OPCC, giving live information about incidents happening in your area).

They will be required to outline how they will do this as part of the application process.

11. Background documents (This will be published if open) None

12. Publication Open

13. DPIA considered (Data Protection Officer will complete full checklist – see attached)

Yes - given the similarities with the grant funded Community Safety Fund and Community Response Fund, the DPIA undertaken for that will be updated to include the Events Funding Scheme. This approach has been discussed and agreed with the Data Protection Officer