**Help to apply for the COVID-19 Keeping Communities Safer fund**

It is for:

* Small local community based projects
* Initiatives run by charities and community groups
* Projects that can make immediate use of the funding
* Projects that relate directly reducing offending/crime prevention

The fund cannot support

* Projects run by an individual
* Ongoing costs such as staff costs or insurance
* The purchase of food, pharmaceuticals or other ‘care package consumables’
* Longer term projects where funding will be held for future use

Examples of what may be funded

* Security equipment such as CCTV and lights for buildings vacant due to COVID-19 restrictions
* General environmental improvements to reduce secluded hiding spots and open up areas for community use.
* Projects that seek to reduce anti-social behaviour

Tips on completing the application form:

* Please ensure all sections are completed
* Make clear reference as to how your project reduces offending or prevents crime
* Cost items out, provide quotes where possible, and provide timescales of when the funding will be used/project delivered
* Provide information on which people will be benefit (young, old, those self-isolating etc)