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## Decision title

### **The Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund – Crime Prevention - Youth Options - Families Together New Forest**

## Executive summary

This report provides information regarding the Commissioner's decision to fund Youth Options - Families Together New Forest. This application had been submitted to The Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund (decision notice OCCDJ-000677-2023) under the rural crime themed round and went through the assessment process however the Commissioner deemed it more suitable to award the funding under the crime prevention themed round of funding and asked that the funding be allocated immediately. This project aims to provide support to families in the New Forest struggling with child and adolescent to parent violence (APV) by offering non-violence resistance (NVR) Training and wrap-around Youth and Family Support to improve family relationships, address harmful behaviours and communication for all family members.

## Recommendation(s)

That the Police and Crime Commissioner agrees to approve the funding of Youth Options - Families Together New Forest, from the Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund under the theme of crime prevention at the cost of **£23,854.00** in order to grant fund a project that supports the delivery of her priorities of 'More Police, Safer Streets'.

## Statement on publication

This Decision Record is suitable for publication. The supporting Decision Request documentation contains sensitive/confidential information and is therefore unsuitable for publication.



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### Police and Crime Commissioner approval

I hereby **approve** the recommendation above.

Signature:

*Donna Jones.*

Name:

**Donna Jones**

Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire

Date:

04-August-23

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**Requester details:**

Requester: Pippa Mears

Role title: Grants Administrative Officer

**1 Strategic context**

The Commissioner has an ambition, through her Criminal Justice, Commissioning & Partnerships Team, to deliver her priorities of 'More Police, Safer Streets'. She will do this by securing the provision of projects and/or physical items that promote crime reduction, support victims of crime and reduce demand on frontline policing through opportunities to apply for grant funding. The Commissioner has set aside funding for The Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund to commission work to deliver her priorities.

The Commissioner has already invested £2,684,818 over a three year period for the Safer Communities Fund grant funded projects. The Commissioner has also invested a further £357,000 per year for the next three years to support the four Youth Offending Teams (YOTs) in Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and Southampton through Decision Request PCCDJ-000644-2022 and £56,559.33 for the first round of The Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund under the theme of rural crime. The Commissioner requested to move the funding of this project, to the more suitable, crime prevention round of The Commissioner's Emerging Needs fund that launches in July 2023.

In order to support the funding of projects and/or physical items outside of those projects/services already in place, the Commissioner has pledged to support the funding of projects and/or physical items that empower partners and potential partners through the opportunity to apply for grant funding.

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Commissioners Emerging Needs Fund impacts on the Police & Crime Plan as follows:

**#1 - 600 More Police Officers by 2023**

- Develop volunteer groups across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight to support policing

**#2 – Improve Police Visibility**

- Invest in technology, allowing police officers to tackle crime rather than spend time filling in forms

**#3 – Tackle Anti-Social Behaviour**

- Invest in new projects and commissioned services to reduce ASB

**#9 – Targeting Rural Crime**

- Increase police visibility in rural areas, including increased use of the Special Constabulary
- Support the increased use of equine rangers

**#13 – Budgets & Grants**

- Further details of funding opportunities will be regularly published on my website

## **2 Options appraisal**

Do nothing would mean that this project would not receive grant funding and would have to apply again to the next available funding opportunity.

## **3 Timescales**

The funding for this project would start on 1 August 2023 and the organisation would be given 12 months in which to spend it with no expectation of future funding.

## **4 Financial and resourcing implications**

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This proposal has financial implications of **£23,854.00** and it is recommended that the funding be allocated from the Commissioning budget underspend.

The funding will be provided to the successful applicants to spend over a 12 month period and there will be no expectation of future funding.

<b>Total cost</b>	<b>£23,854.00</b>
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<b>Timeframe funding required for</b>	August-2023 to July-2024
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**Table 1 - Funding allocation in each financial year**

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
<b>Capital</b>	£0	£0	£0
<b>Revenue</b>	£15,902.67	£7,951.33	£0

**Table 2 - Funding source - Capital and Revenue**

	Capital (insert 'Yes' if applicable)	Revenue (insert 'Yes' if applicable)
Transformation reserve		
Commissioner's reserve		
Commissioning budget		Yes
Approved capital programme		
General fund		
Other ( <i>please provide details</i> )		

## 5 Communications and engagement implications

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Following the agreement of this proposed funding, the Business Team and the Criminal Justice, Commissioning & Partnerships Team will be required to ensure that information around this successful application is circulated in the most appropriate way.

This project supported by the Commissioner will be given a sharper focus and will be promoted as much as possible to the communities of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

The Business Team have been involved in the drafting of the Grant Agreement to ensure that, where appropriate, the Commissioner's branding is used in connection to the projects/items that are being funded.

## **6 Legal implications**

Under S.143 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, the Commissioner may provide or arrange for the provision of services to secure or contribute to securing crime and disorder reduction or which help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and antisocial behaviour. These arrangements may include the making of grants subject to such conditions as the Commissioner thinks appropriate. Funding awards will be subject to a written agreement setting out the terms and conditions on which payment is made.

## **7 Risks and mitigation**

The process that was used to assess this application was rigorous and transparent and fully in accordance with guidance from Internal Audit. The application was scrutinised for sustainability in financial terms, business costings and staffing provision.

## **8 Strategic policing requirement**

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The investment in this project will contribute towards supporting victims and reducing the demand on policing across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

## **9 Equalities**

This application was asked to outline, and was assessed on, how their project would contribute towards the elimination of unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, the advancement of equality of opportunity between persons who share a protected characteristic and those who do not share it and the fostering of good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

The responses within the application were taken into account during the assessment process and scored according to their response. If the application had not score at least an 'adequate' score for the Equality & Inclusion questions it would have been deemed unsuccessful as they would not meet the Commissioner's legal obligations set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 (Public Sector Equality Duty). Therefore the application met the standard required in order to satisfy the Commissioner's public sector equality duty under s149 of the Equality Act 2010.

## **10 Data Protection implications**

The only General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) implications associated with this decision request is that the Criminal Justice, Commissioning & Partnerships Team will hold the information of the organisation that has applied for funding under this grant round. This includes names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and bank details for the successful applicant. This information will be stored and destroyed according to the Police and Crime Commissioner's Office's data security policy.

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The Police and Crime Commissioner's Office will not hold any personal information of service users of this project funded through the Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund. This will be held by the organisation providing the project and will comply with GDPR regulations as per their safeguarding checklist and grant agreement.

**11 Publication status**

This report is suitable for publication.

**12 Personnel consulted**

The following personnel were consulted on the Decision Request.

**Table 3 - Personnel consulted**

Role	Organisation	Confirmation of consultation (insert 'Yes' if applicable)
Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner	OPCC	Yes
Chief Executive	OPCC	Yes
Chief Finance Officer	OPCC (HCC)	Yes
OPCC/Hampshire Constabulary liaison	OPCC / HC	Yes
Head of Criminal Justice, Commissioning & Partnerships	OPCC	Yes
Head of Business	OPCC	Yes
Head of Estate	OPCC	Yes
Accountant	OPCC (HCC)	Yes
Deputy Monitoring Officer	OPCC (HCC)	Yes
Head of Strategic Procurement	HCC	Yes
Commissioning and Grants Business Manager	OPCC	Yes
Data Protection Officer	OPCC	Yes
<i>[others as appropriate]</i>		

OPCC - Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner





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HCC - Hampshire County Council  
HC - Hampshire Constabulary

### **13 Appendices**

None.

### **14 Background papers**

Decision Notice - PCCDJ-000677-2023