

**Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and Isle of Wight Funding Network**

**Pre-qualification for Funding Opportunities**

# **1. Introduction**

Section 143 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 provides the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) with powers to awards grants that will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction. Grants can also be awarded that help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and anti-social behaviour. The Ministry of Justice (MOJ) provides the PCC with funding to commission practical and emotional support services for victims of all crime types to help them cope and recover, these services are predominately provided through contracts and are therefore excluded from most grants rounds, although new and innovative projects may be funded via a grant..

To support the delivery of the PCC’s Police and Crime Plan priorities, grant funding is used to provide grants, in addition to contracts that delivery the provision of core services, to support victims of crime and to secure crime and disorder reduction, including supporting vulnerable people, reduce offending and reoffending in order to create safer communities where individuals feel protected and supported.

The PCC is launching this funding network which aims to streamline the grant application process by conducting due diligence checks in advance and therefore pre-approving organisation for future funding opportunities.

By joining the Funding Network, your organisation will benefit from:

* Pre-qualification for Funding Opportunities: Complete due diligence checks in advance of grants rounds, allowing you to apply for grants opportunities when they are launched. Due diligence and organisational information will only need to be submitted once, regardless of the number of applications you are submitting. It will be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure qualification still stands.
* Capacity Building: Access support in relation to the application process and required criteria, networking with other providers and workshops to support partners to be prepared for future opportunities.
* Regular Updates: Receive information on upcoming funding opportunities, training sessions, and information events.
* Improved Processes: Provide feedback to help us enhance our grant-making processes

Providers of services will need to be signed up to the terms and conditions within this document and the Code of Conduct to be eligible to receive funding.

# **2. Eligibility criteria**

To sign up as an approved provider you must meet the following criteria:

* Be a not-for-profit organisation unless its profits are used to fulfil its social purpose
* Provide a free of charge and confidential service
* If providing support to victims of crime the support must be made available whether or not a crime has been reported to the Police
* Are non-discriminatory
* Focus on initiatives that help individuals to cope and recover from the impact of crime or help increase community safety
* Core provision of the service is in Hampshire & Isle of Wight

The PCC reserves the right to reject any application.

## **Code of Conduct:**

To be part of the Funding Network you will also be required to sign up to the Police and Crime Commissioner’s [Code of Conduct](https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Code-of-Conduct.pdf). The [Code of Conduct](https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Code-of-Conduct.pdf) outlines the ethical and professional behaviour expected from grant recipients. It ensures that funded activities represent good value and support the priorities within the Police and Crime Plan.

## **3. Funding Tiers**

The following funding tiers have been established, each attracting different quality assurance (QA) requirements. This has been done to allow for a proportionate approach to achieving assurance.

When registering for the Funding Network, please consider the tier of funding you will be applying for, for a single project, should a funding opportunity arise. The greater the amount of funding, the higher the level of QA requirements it will attract. If you plan to apply for a higher amount of funding than a specific tier allows, please ensure that you apply for the highest relevant tier. This will enable you to apply for grants up to the maximum amount of that tier.

**Tier 1 - Small grant funding** = up to £10,000

**Tier 2 - Medium grant funding** = £10,001 to £30,000

**Tier 3 - Large grant funding** = £30,001 to £50,000

The PCC reserves the right to use existing financial benchmarks when assessing funding applications.

Should organisations wish to increase their tier of funding they can re-apply at a later date by submitting an updated application to meet the QAs needed for that funding tier.

## **4. Quality Assurance**

To ensure that the services provided are to a high quality, we request all providers to abide to the following quality assurance (QA) standards, which cover:

* Organisation Governance
* Management
* Financial Management
* Information sharing
* Safeguarding
* Partnership working

The associated level of QA standard will be based on the highest funding tier the organisation/provider might apply for a single project, as per section 3.

For further information on the QA levels and the evidence needed, please see [**Quality Assurance Matrix**.](https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Quality-Assurance-Levels-FN.xlsx)

# **5. Process**

## Sign up and approval:

To apply and receive funding (when available), you must be signed up to the Hampshire & Isle of Wight OPCC Funding Network – this document outlines the terms and conditions of this.

To sign up to the Hampshire & Isle of Wight OPCC Funding Network and the terms and conditions within, please complete the Funding Network application form:

[**Tier 1 - Small grant funding** = up to £10,000](https://sums.org/app/shared.php?function=form&account=1383&form=9481d2838f98adfa35992013d0680d97&key=e3ee569d2518e807e1960fd26a0f3169d86f1172&upload=1)

[**Tier 2 - Medium grant funding** = £10,001 to £30,000](https://sums.org/app/shared.php?function=form&account=1383&form=e552a3a8cada74c6b89f0c80fff397d4&key=16690751b79067e2e80ac97433a4741e5eda3f0f&upload=1)

[**Tier 3 - Large grant funding** = £30,001 to £50,000](https://sums.org/app/shared.php?function=form&account=1383&form=7691f3ae8e7ae4be28e08d599abeaf88&key=ca7bee84567e24829564d2e960ffbc935eaa4f19&upload=1)

and provide supporting documents to evidence the appropriate level of quality assurance (as per the [**Quality Assurance Matrix**](https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Quality-Assurance-Levels-FN.xlsx)) for the highest amount of funding you would apply for per application.

## Assessment of Funding Network applications:

Applications will be reviewed on a weekly basis to assess if organisations are suitable to join the funding network. If an organisation is successful they will be notified of this and informed what funding tier they can apply for future grants. If an organisation does not reach the threshold to join the funding network, feedback will be provided on how they can improve the application in order to resubmit. The Commissioning Team will work with the organisation to help them achieve the threshold if required.

Alternatively, if an organisation is accepted onto the Funding Network but would like to apply for funding at a higher tier, feedback can be provided so that the organisation can submit further information to be considered for a higher funding tier.

## Funding application processes:

The Commissioner opens up funding rounds at particular times throughout the year. Projects must apply via an application form to these funding rounds and the information will be found on the [website](https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/funding/applyforfunding) when each grants round opens. These funding rounds are for one off grant funding bids only.

## Release of funding areas:

The Commissioner will on occasion release funding opportunities/tranches focusing on a particular area or theme. This will be stated clearly in the application form and on the where you can find more information regarding the funding rounds. On these occasions, the weighted criteria within the application forms may be altered to reflect the needs of that area or theme.

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