

<b>Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision</b>	
<b>PCCG-2019-051</b>	<b>Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision</b>
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Six Monthly Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Police Community Fund Successful Applications Update</b>
<b>Summary</b>	<b>To record the decision of the PCC to award grants from the PCC Police Community Fund within the first six month period of 2019/20.</b>

## **DECISION**

1. Previous publication of Decision number PCCG-2018-034 confirmed my intention to establish a recurrent commissioning fund (the PCC Police Community Fund) of up to £300,000 annually to use monies obtained through the Proceeds of Crime Act. This Fund aims to enable children and young people in Gwent to be safe, healthy and happy, building a better future for themselves and their community by empowering Gwent Police to tackle community based issues in a lasting and impactful way. The Fund supports not-for-profit organisations seeking to deliver projects and services working with children, young people or vulnerable adults under the age of 25 who live in the Gwent Police Force area. The Fund will focus on projects supporting children and young people who:
  - may be in danger of entering the criminal justice system; or
  - have become victims of crime.
2. Eligible organisations and groups can make applications for funding throughout the year. Applications must have the support of their local Neighbourhood Policing Team. Submitted applications are assessed on a quarterly basis by a Panel consisting of representatives from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Gwent Police and the Council for Wales Voluntary Youth Service (CWVYS).
 

It was agreed in my decision number PCCG-2018-034 that awards made via this fund would be recorded in subsequent decision logs, as a minimum, on a six monthly basis.
3. **2018/19 PCC Police Community Fund**  
 Following on from my decision number PCCG-2019-027, which recorded the final amount awarded for the 2018/19 financial year as £167,604.50, a further two grants have been awarded to projects that applied in 2018/19 bringing the total funding awarded from the 2018/19 PCC Police Community Fund as £246,325.50.

**2019/20 PCC Police Community Fund**

During the first two rounds of the 2019/20 PCC Police Community Fund, three projects have been successful in receiving funding, totalling £140,060.

4. The successful applicants which I have authorised 1 years funding for so far are listed below:

**Additional 2018/19 Grant Awards:**

**Community House** - £39,121 towards a Maindee Youth 'Schools Out' project, which will increase youth work activity in the school holidays to divert young people away from negative behaviour and promote positive relationships.

**Creazione In Community** - £39,600 towards a project which will be a one stop shop hub offering diversionary activities. The community club will offer doorstep provision to young people and a fun and safe place to attend weekly sessions in evenings and weekends when Anti-Social Behaviour is at its worse.

**2019/20 Grant Awards (April – September):**

**Bryn Farm & Coed Cae Interact Youth Groups** - £40,151 towards an intergenerational project that will address relationships between young and old. It will address personal growth of individuals, isolation and associated mental health issues, educational developments and social interaction. The programme of activity will include leadership opportunities for young people to be engaged in out of school activities and create commitment to personal development.

**National Youth Advocacy Service (NYAS)** - £49,909 towards a project that engages with children and young people who are in danger of entering the criminal justice system, or are at risk of or becoming victims of crime and anti-social behaviour. The project will help break down barriers to engagement with various services (e.g. education and community-based organisations) as well as build positive working relationships, raise aspirations and build confidence. The project will use advocacy and a rights-based approach to ensure that young peoples' voices are heard and their views valued. Bespoke services will also be provided to support young people on a one-one basis, to help them with their issues and referral to other services.

**Urban Circle Productions** - £50,000 towards Phase 2 of the U Turn project which received funding for Phase 1 in 2018/19. The project will use different forms of creative arts to tackle multiple social problems affecting vulnerable young people. The project will work with partners to plan and organise various events (e.g. Halloween) and workshops, receiving referrals when appropriate. Provide training on life skills and offer the opportunity to gain qualifications in various aspects (e.g. First Aid, Safeguarding and Youth Work).

5. The arrangements for each award will be set out in a Grant Agreement which includes appropriate terms and conditions, purpose of the award and payment,

monitoring and reporting arrangements.

As a minimum, in order to monitor the progress of funded projects, and provide reassurance that funding allocated is effectively meeting Policing Priorities in Gwent, as outlined in the Police and Crime Plan, grant recipients are required to complete a mid year and an end of year monitoring report which will require the following information to be provided:

- Project Activity
- Project Outputs
- Project Outcomes
- Breakdown of financial expenditure
- Risks
- Learning

Where the Review Panel recommended additional conditions over and above the standard terms and conditions in order to gain assurance and clarity in relation to project deliverables and outcomes, these will be monitored in addition to the minimum monitoring and reporting requirements and where appropriate and proportional have been linked to the release of funding.

Applicant organisations will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant which will be outlined in a Grant Agreement and Grant Offer Letter by signing and returning the relevant documentation. Payment of grants is subject to ongoing compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant and satisfactory monitoring and reporting.

**Jeff Cuthbert B.SC., MDIPD, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.

Signed



Date

11/10/19

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