Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision			
PCCG-2019- 073	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision		
Subject	Six Monthly Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Police Community Fund Successful Applications Update		
Summary	To record the decision of the PCC to award grants from the PCC Police Community Fund between 1 st October 2019 and 31 st March 2020.		

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 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.

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. Decision number PCCG-2019-051 recorded funding awarded to three project between April – September 2019, the value of which totalled £140,060.

2. 2019/20 PCC Police Community Fund

During the third round of the 2019/20 PCC Police Community Fund, five new projects have been successful in receiving funding, totalling £112,122.22. This

brings the over-arching amount of funding awarded so far in 2019/20 to £252,182.22. Additionally, two projects funded in 2018/19 have in principle been awarded year two funding subject to satisfactory reporting on the first year of their projects. This brings the 2019/20 allocation of funding to £298,141.04. As such, it has been determined that the scheduled fourth round of the PCC Police Community Fund for the 2019/20 financial year will be cancelled, due to the near full allocation of the £300,000 Fund.

3. The successful new projects which I have authorised 1 year's funding for are listed below:

2019/20 Grant Awards (October – March 2020):

County in the Community - £11,807.50 towards the Premier League Kicks project in Ringland, running from 1st November 2019 to 31st October 2020. Weekly sessions will be provided on a Thursday outside of school hours. Learning opportunities will also be provided to improve young people's development and wellbeing.

Cymru Creations - £25,000 to deliver the Blaenau Gwent Film Academy project from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020, which will include the opportunity for young people to create a series of short films focusing on current issues and concerns.

Cwmbran Centre for Young People (CCYP) - £40,314.72 towards the delivery of the Open Access Drop in Project from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020. This will include provision of a drop in facility five nights a week within a safe environment, that provides tailor made services, activities and support, with counsellors and mentors available to young people attending.

Alway Amateur Boxing Club - £20,000 to deliver the Stop Stabbing Start Jabbing project on Tuesdays and Thursdays 5pm – 7pm and Saturdays 10am – 2pm, from the 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020. This project will provide boxing / mentoring programmes to those people at risk of entering the criminal justice system or who have been young victims of crime.

The Gap Wales - £15,000 to deliver the Sanctuary project from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020, working with young asylum seekers and refugees, providing them with relational, holistic support, advice and social activities.

The following projects funded in 2018/19 have in principle been awarded year two funding subject to satisfactory reporting:

Duffryn Community Link - £25,058.82 **Creazione in Community** - £20,900

Further details on these two projects can be found on Decision Logs PCCG-2019-027 and PCCG-2019-051.

4. 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; and
- 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.

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