| Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision | | |
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| PCCG-2021- 036 | Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session | |
| Subject | Gwent High Sheriffs' Community Fund 2022/23. | |
| Summary | To record the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner to continue to contribute to the Gwent High Sheriffs' Community Fund (GHSCF) for 2022/23. | |

DECISION

1. The GHSCF has a long history of partnership working with Gwent Police and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent (OPCC), to support voluntary and charitable organisations across Gwent.

The GHSCF undertakes an annual event, 'Your Voice, Your Choice', which provides grant funding to local people to prioritise the solutions that they think will best address local needs. This format gives people an alternative way to communicate their message; and a platform to share their energy, passion and vision for a thriving Gwent. This event has been run in partnership with the OPCC since 2013/14, when the Police and Crime Commissioner pledged to support the GHSCF with a grant of £25,000. This grant funding continued throughout 2014/15 and 2015/16.

Based upon the previous successes of the funding programme, it was decided in 2016/17 that, in addition to the usual amount of £25,000 being awarded, additional match funding of up to £25,000 would be made available annually. In 2019/20 the GHSCF launched an additional element to the annual event. One grant per year is selected as a 'superbid' and receives 3 year's funding of £5,000 per annum.

2. Based on the impact of previous contributions, which have been demonstrated by the High Sheriff through the reports I receive and the meetings I attend, I have decided to continue to award £25,000 for the financial year 2022/23 with a further £25,000 available to match fund the money raised by the Gwent High Sheriff. I will also contribute the £5,000 required to support Year 3 of the 20/21 'superbid', £5,000 to support Year 2 of the 21/22 'superbid', as well as, £5,000 to support Year 1 of the 22/23 'superbid'.

A total contribution of £65,000 will be made to the support the 22/23 grants awarded by the High Sheriffs' Fund.

Jeff Cuthbert B.SC., MCIPD, 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 |
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