

PCC Decision Form

Title of Request	Name of Proposer (e.g. Chief Executive, Chief Constable, Director of Finance)	Date of Request
Commissioner's POCA Community Grant Scheme 2020/21 Panel recommendations January 2021	Partnerships and Commissioning Manager	26/02/2020

Private / Exemption - Yes / No If Yes Reason Why (eg Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, Freedom of Information Act 2000)	Urgent (if Yes, Why and by When?)
No	

Decision Requested		
<p>The Police and Crime Commissioner (“The Commissioner”) is recommended to approve recommendations made by the January 2021 Community Grant Scheme Panel.</p>		
Executive Summary of Request	Supporting Report attached?	No
<p>The Commissioner's Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) Community Grant Scheme for 2020/21 enables non-profit organisations to apply for funding of up to £10,000. Proposed activities must address one or more of the Commissioner strategic priorities as set out in the Police & Crime Plan. Funded organisations have to show compliance with Terms & Conditions including the submission of monitoring Information upon completion of their project.</p> <p>Officers have considered and assessed 24 applications for funding with a total value of £165,085 and recommend that 6 applications be approved. The next panel will be in April and unsuccessful and new applicants are welcome to apply.</p> <p>A meeting was held on the 26th January 2021 (via Microsoft Teams due to the Covid-19 situation) with the PCC to discuss the applications and panel recommendations. A decision was made to fund the grants set out below.</p> <p>Ten bids were agreed to be funded with a total value of £69,061</p>		

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Organisation	Project	Recommended Funding
Active Lives Active Communities CIC	Active Futures	£ 10,000.00
We Can Grow Communities CIC	We Can Grow Communities	£10,000.00
Rotherham United Community Sports Trust	Aim high (Youth and sport programme)	£9,945.00
Barnsley Sea Cadets	New toilets	£7,000.00
Breaking Beats Ltd.	Breaking Hub	£3,300.00
Element Society	Street Reach	£9,927.00
Reach Up Youth	Mirrors	£8,500.00
Action for Autism and Asperger's Barnsley	Better Connected	£3,120.00
Firth Park Boxing and Fitness	Fitness & Boxercise Sessions	£2,269.00
Crosspool FC	Crosspool Girls activities for all	£5,000.00
Total		£69,061

Each of the recommended projects will be provided with a grant agreement specific to this fund. All projects will be required to submit monitoring information upon completion of their project. It is proposed that 50% of the grant is paid in advance with the final payment made at the end of the project based on actual expenditure, should this cause an issue for any of the organisations an alternative payment schedule can be negotiated. Following consultation with the OPCC Finance Manager it is agreed that payments will be signed off using the pro-forma method.


All grant recipients will be subject to due diligence checks prior to the release of funding.

Approval by proposer (SLG lead / OPCC SMG lead) and confirmation request is ready for PCC consideration

Including POCA income the overall Community Grants Scheme budget for 2020/21 is £256,000. There is sufficient within this to cover the recommended grants.

Submitted for approval by the Partnerships and Commissioning Manager.


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Signed:		Date:	01/03/21
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Considerations	Evidence of information or advice gathered or discussion / consultation conducted	How has all this evidence impacted on overall proposal?
Public and / or Partners	Input from relevant SYP officers/relevant partners is sought	
Impact on Service	Improve the service provider's capability to achieve activity as set out in the application	
Financial	Forms part of the Partnerships and Commissioning budget	
Legal	Grant terms and conditions are approved by the PCC's Chief Executive and Solicitor	
HR	n/a	
T/Unions / Staff Assoc.	n/a	
Equality & Diversity (Public Sector Equality Duty)	Applications are accepted from all community groups	
Risks / Opportunities	Opportunity to empower community groups to affect change in the local community	
Sustainability	Grants are offered for a twelve month period following notice of award	
Other (specify)	n/a	

Views of PCC's Chief Finance & Commissioning Officer

There is a process in place that assesses applications for compliance with the Police and Crime Plan priorities. Due diligence checks are conducted on applicant organisations to further mitigate risk. On this basis, and because in addition to grants previously approved, the recommended allocations are within the budget I support the recommendation.

Signature:		Date:	03 March 2021
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Views of PCC's Chief Executive & Solicitor

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Supported for reasons outlined by the Chief Finance Officer.

Signature:		Date:	04.03.21
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PCC's Decision and Rationale

Approved.

Signature:		Date:	04.03.21
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OPCC GATEKEEPER (Information Officer)

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