



**Lancashire Constabulary**

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**DECISION** 2016 108      **DATE:** MAY 2016

**TITLE: CHILD ACTION NORTHWEST (CANW) STREET REACH BLACKBURN AND BURNLEY**

**REPORT BY: LOUISE FAIRLCOUGH – CRIME RE-OFFENDING AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE OFFICER**

**Executive Summary:**

- Applied under POCA for funding for this scheme, just missed out on the BCU shortlist however it was felt worthy of revisiting the scheme due to the potential reach under the Police and Crime Objectives
- Amount Requested £35,677 (total amount of project £89,677 but with match funding from the two relevant community safety partnerships and from CANW etc amounting to £54k)
- Aim: A flexible and responsive early action provision delivering an assertive outreach team across an open age group. Deployment of two mobile vehicles offering a comfortable and engaging space. Reducing demand on emergency services and supporting the developing Transforming Lives Agenda.
- Reduce ASB and nuisance behaviours and working with already supporting agencies in respect of MEAM etc.

**Recommendation:**  
 That the Police and Crime Commissioner considers this funding to support the positive outcomes of community engagement and diversionary tactics across Burnley and Blackburn

Signature *Clive Grunshaw*  
 Police and Crime Commissioner  
 Date *8th July 2016*

**1. Background and Advice**

The Police and Crime Commissioner has indicated his intention to work in partnership to support the delivery of his priorities and outcomes in particular in respect of tackling crime and reducing re-offending. The allocation of this funding supports this intention and demonstrates the Commissioner's commitment to work with partners in this way.

**2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan**

The proposal links directly to the Police and Crime Plan in particular the aim to work together with partners to deliver better services and ensure resources are used effectively  
 Dealing with low level ASB and vulnerable people which in turn allows the policing of higher level ASB and crime through reduced resources.  
 Encourages vulnerable young people and adults to engage.re-engage with services to promote better outcomes  
 Encourage support services or enforcement solutions where necessary to those who often commit crime and re-offend to try and tackle this problem  
 Businesses in the Town Centre who feel vulnerable to ASB and by dealing with these groups of people it supports their rights as victims

**3. Consultation**

**4. Implications**



- a. Legal
- b. Financial
- c. Equality considerations

**5. Background Papers**

**6. Public access to information**

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.

Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC website within 3 working days of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form.

Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	AAQ
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
<p><b>Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)</b></p> <p>I have been informed about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.</p> <p>Signature..........Date..........</p>	

## **'Appendix B**

Child Action North West submitted a POCA application for an initiative that aimed to support the Early Action ethos of diversionary tactics linked to ASB and nuisance behaviour therefore reducing the demand on reduced emergency services and looked to engage and re-engage youths and older into community initiatives

The scheme recognises the multiple needs of the community and as such require different responses

I visited the offices of CANW on Monday 25 April to discuss the original application and look at optional variances to the original scheme – to this end an amended application for funding has been submitted enhancing the partnership 'buy-in' that is now available.

In demonstrating what success will look like Martin Hartley-Smith has submitted a revised form and included what the funding would support.

In addition to the reducing demand on the emergency services the deployment of two vehicles that offer a 'haven' of informational resources, media wall, internet gateway, and seating and comfort aim to attract and offer an environment where individuals can feel safe and able to communicate their needs with the offer of support from qualified individuals.

### **The project will amongst many things:**

- Inform the strategic landscape of the 'live' and developing issues in town centres
- Resource and develop Transforming Lives agenda for vulnerable adults across the East Lancs footprint.
- Reduce ASB and nuisance behaviours
- Promote and embrace recovery and increase awareness of the risks associated with drugs and alcohol and will actively encourage individuals to engage with local treatment providers
- Support the outcomes for individuals through referrals to an enforcement task and finish group who will utilise intelligence gather by the project as part of the enforcement required and enable a positive behaviour change

### **Funding**

#### **Staffing**

Outreach workers x 2 @ £30 hr. x 4 hrs per day x 4 days x 42 x 2 = £49,920

Pathways Worker 4 days per week = £20,939

Vehicle Operating Cost = £6,346 (inclusive of fuel, insurance, maintenance, tax etc)

Infrastructure cost = £4,320 (Comms, Wi-Fi, Public Insurance, Admin, Training etc)

Management and Admin @ 10% = £8,152

**Total Project Cost = £89,677 – request from PCC = £35,677**

### **Outcomes**

Reduction in low level ASB, low level crime, appearance of homelessness or sought after housing. Engagement for those who are alcohol or drug dependent, vulnerable people and those who find difficulty in engaging. Support also for those who are from 'out of the area' and those who struggle with a local connection.

## **Sustainability**

In recognising that if approved this funding may be a one off only – CANW look to have in place an exit strategy building a bank of peer mentors using community volunteering and recovery services in order to maintain a measure of support. By the end of the project it is hoped that all will be self-sufficient with the support of project partners submitting a number of trust and grant applications.

CANW have currently an accepted first stage lottery submission in place and working on the submission of second stage submission documents. Big Lottery have also made contact and invited an application under the Accelerating Ideas pilot working with the Women's Centre.

A number of documents are attached demonstrating the credibility of the scheme and the auditable nature of the referrals outputs and outcomes. Of particular interest is the flow chart recognising the town centre outreach and spoke diagram which identifies the problem and solution.

Following regular evaluation of this project it would be anticipated that this grant would be used to assess if this was a service continuing to meet the Police and Crime Commissioner's priorities and as such one we could consider a tendering process

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