

SURREY POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**COMMUNITY SAFETY FUND 2015/16****18th May 2016****SUMMARY**

Until 2014, the Community Safety Fund (CSF) was awarded to Police and Crime Commissioners by the Home Office. This funding was in addition to the Home Office main police grant and was to be used specifically to commission services to meet the Commissioner's priorities, improve community safety in the force area, tackle drugs and crime and reduce re-offending. The money was not ring-fenced and PCCs had the freedom and flexibility to use the money as they saw fit to support their wider crime prevention priorities.

From 2014-15, the CSF was incorporated permanently into the main Police Grant provided to police forces by the Home Office.

In Surrey the PCC decided to maintain a community safety fund and in 2015/16 £690,920 was made available.

This report provides the Panel with an overview of how the Community Safety Fund was distributed in the financial year 2015/16.

Community Safety Fund 2015/16

Of the £690k fund, the PCC agreed to allocate £50,000 to domestic abuse outreach services for supporting victims of domestic violence. He also set aside £214,000 to support PCC-led partnership projects, such as the Joint Enforcement Team pilots, Surrey Fire & Rescue road safety and crime diversion projects and anti-social behaviour prevention projects. The remainder was available for partner organisations, charities, voluntary sector organisations and community groups to bid for.

Grant Application Process

The Office of the PCC publishes the application process and application forms on their website. Following the receipt of an application the Policy Officer reviews and ensures all the information needed to make a sound decision is present. For charity, voluntary, community groups and businesses this includes the submission of their financial accounts. The applications are then sent to the CSF Decision Making Panel for discussion and a decision. In 2015/16, the Panel consisted of the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, Jeff Harris, Superintendent Chris Moon and an independent representative, Michael Goodwin, a Solicitor who lives and works in Surrey. They complete a scoring chart which assesses the application against the PCC's Peoples Priorities and key areas of delivery i.e. timescales and partnership support. If the application is

approved an agreement is drawn up in line with what the project hopes to achieve. This is used to evaluate the project at a given time and provides a mechanism to retrieve funding should the project not be delivered.

Evaluations and monitoring are done in line with the agreement. It is always requested that the PCC or DPCC are invited to any launch or to visit the project first hand. Evaluations are submitted at the end of the project or at the end of the financial year. We expect to see outputs and outcomes and if the funding has purchased equipment or facilities we require copies of the invoices. Should we find the project has not been delivered then we will first work with the applicant to find out why but ultimately if the project cannot go ahead or is significantly different from the application, the PCC can request the organisation returns the funding, either in full or a percentage of what was allocated.

A breakdown of 2015/16 spend

Over the course of the financial year the PCC received 69 applications, 54 were approved and the total funding allocated was £486,580.10.

In addition the following funding awards were agreed by the PCC;

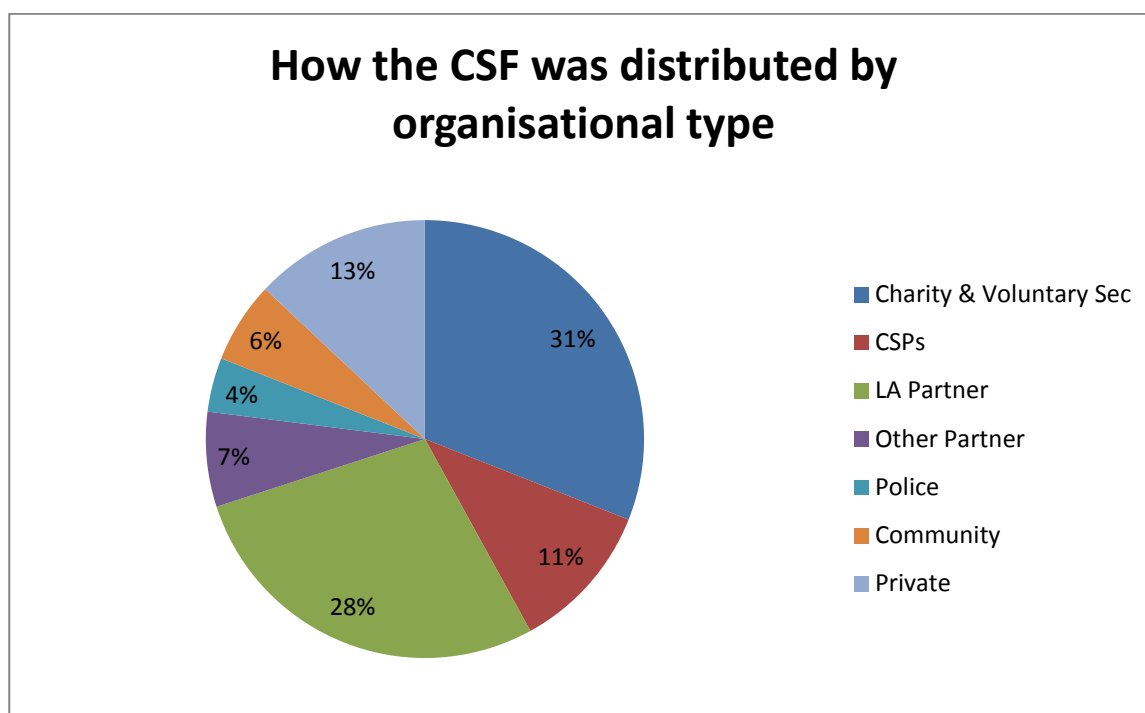
- £30,874 to Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, Spelthorne Borough Council and Elmbridge Borough Council for the delivery of the Joint Enforcement Team pilots.
- £50,000 to Domestic Abuse Outreach services.
- £48,000 to Surrey Fire and Rescue for Safe Drive Stay Alive and their Youth Engagement Scheme.
- £72,000 to ten Community Safety Partnerships to fund anti-social behaviour related projects.

Of the 15 remaining applications, 5 were deferred pending further information being made available to the panel and the other 10 were unsuccessful because they had no tangible link to the PCC's People's Priorities and therefore could not be supported.

Geographical distribution for the 54 successful applications –

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total per area	Unsuccessful
Countywide	1	7	3	6	17	5
Epsom and Ewell	1			1	2	1
Elmbridge		1		1	2	1
Guildford	1			1	3	1
Mole Valley		1		2	4	
Reigate & Banstead			1	3	4	1
Runnymede		1			1	1
Spelthorne		1		3	4	
Surrey Heath			1	1	2	
Tandridge	1	1	4	1	7	
Woking		1		3	4	
Waverley		3		1	4	
Total	4	18	9	24	54	10

The table below show how the CSF was broken down by organisational type. These are self-disclosed and picked up using the application form.



Appendix A lists all those projects supported by the PCC in 2015/16. More detail on each project is available from the PCC's Office.

Community Safety Fund 2016/17

In setting the budget for 2016/17, a CSF of almost £700,000 has been allocated to commission services that meet the Commissioner's Priorities, improve community safety in the force area, tackle drugs and crime and reduce re-offending.

More details can be found on the PCC's website, along with links to the new application form and dates of the decision panels.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That members of the Police and Crime Panel note report.

EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

None arising.

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Community Mediation Services

£29,700 was awarded to Surrey Community Mediation Services to continue to offer their free community mediation services to resolve neighbour disputes via referrals from the Police, Local Borough Councils, Housing Associations and self-referral. The services are all volunteer led and use the skills of trained volunteer mediators working across the whole of Surrey.

The Big Wheel

£2,000 was awarded for a cycling and walking community day in May. Guildford Borough Council with Voluntary Action SWS Surrey wished to provide cycling marking crime prevention kits to be installed into cycles at this event. The funding enabled the organisers to purchase the kits.

Safe Drive Stay Alive

Safe Drive Stay Alive is a road safety education initiative that aims to make young people more aware of their responsibilities on the road and the consequences of poor or irresponsible driving. The funding covered the transportation costs for the events. £35,000 was awarded to Surrey Fire and Rescue to support the delivery of Safe Drive Stay Alive event in October.

Epsom and Ewell ASB Motorcycle Project

£3,624 was awarded for the purchase of two Honda CRF250L dual purpose motorcycles. The Borough of Epsom was suffering from young people riding off-road motorcycles in an anti-social manner in the estates and surrounding parks and green areas. The motorcycles enabled the local neighbourhood team the ability to patrol the problem areas and provided an opportunity to obtain evidence capable of sustaining successful prosecutions. It also provided a visible deterrent and welcome reassurance and confidence to local residents.

Be Your Best Foundation – Rock Challenge

The Rock Challenge focuses on teaching young people the benefits of healthy lifestyles, including the dangers of substance misuse and anti-social behaviour through a performing arts competition. £5,000 was awarded to the Be Your Best Foundation to support the delivery of the Rock Challenge.

Busbridge CofE Church Disabled and Child Access Ramp

£5,000 was awarded to the local community and Busbridge CofE Church to build an access ramp through the church property to provide a safe route for parents and children to and from the local school. Whilst not directly meeting the People's Priorities the project did fall within the PCC's additional focus for 2015/16 on Road Safety.

Effingham Village Recreation Trust

£4,687.20 was awarded to the Recreation Trust to upgrade and improve the existing CCTV security coverage, the lighting and security alarm system. The request was made following a rise in anti-social behaviour and vandalism on the site.

Guildford Junior Citizenship

This event, like other Junior Citizenships, brought year 6 pupils from local schools together with key partners to learn important lessons on personal safety. Junior Citizenship is a priority for the PCC and fits within the Zero Tolerance priority. £9,602 was awarded to purchase the booklets to support the delivery of the Guildford Junior Citizenship event held in July.

Leatherhead Start – Out of a Pickle

£6,000 was awarded to start up an innovative new project to help homeless people turn their lives around. The project set up a small social enterprise in the form of a community interest company making pickles and chutneys. The aspiration was that the project would provide life skills, confidence and a route away from substance misuse.

Skaterham

£3,000 was awarded to the Skaterham group to improve their local youth provision and support young people at risk of committing anti-social behaviour.

ASB Strategy Group Multi Agency Community Protection Notices Training

The bid was for the provision of high quality multi agency training over two days to 60 officers from across Surrey that will have been delegated authority to issue CPNs, i.e. local authority Environmental Health Teams and Housing Departments, Registered Social Landlords and police. £5,000 was awarded to the ASB Strategy Group to deliver training to practitioners who will issue Community Protection Notices.

Elmbridge Junior Citizenship

£5,000 was awarded for the purchase of Junior Life Skills booklets to support the delivery of the Elmbridge Junior Citizenship event, which ran in June for two and a half weeks. The event was held at Walton Fire Station and educated the young people on personal safety and the work of the emergency service.

Runnymede Junior Citizenship

£6,000 was awarded to purchase the booklets to support the delivery of the Runnymede Junior Citizenship event. The event has been running for 14 years and it reinforces the messages of staying safe, having respect for the community and personal responsibility.

Waverley Community Safety Partnership

£6,000 was awarded to the Waverley Community Safety Partnership as a contribution towards the cost of their third Domestic Homicide Review. These reviews require an independent chair and therefore the costs of running them is significantly more. A Domestic Homicide Review is an important process in understanding what happened and learning lessons from a tragic event so it does not happen again.

Surrey Fire and Rescue

Surrey Fire and Rescue Service delivers this targeted intervention which supports young people who have been identified, for a number of possible reasons, as being at risk of involvement in youth crime or anti-social behaviour. The Panel agreed this was a positive scheme and supported the Zero Tolerance

priority. £13,000 was awarded to support the delivery of the Youth Engagement Scheme.

1st Lingfield and Dormansland Scout Hut Extension

£4,000 was awarded to the 1st Lingfield and Dormansland Scout Group to extend their current scout hut to accommodate more young people. The hut provided a positive place for young people to go, therefore reducing the possibility of anti-social behaviour.

Woking Leisure and Pool in the Park

£5,000 was awarded to The Friday Night Project, a joint project between Freedom Leisure and Woking Borough Council. The project is an evening dedicated to young people to participate in physical activity at Woking Leisure Centre and Pool in the Park. Activities will include trampolining, swimming, football, SmashUp! (badminton), handball, netball, basketball, table tennis, squash, dance and the Wii. It was thought that offering young people an alternative to football was positive and the event on a Friday would help reduce anti-social behaviour.

Ashford Town FC

The aim was to provide an alternative for young people rather than 'hanging around on the streets' and causing anti-social behaviour. They planned to also run one local neighbourhood festival. The project offered positive activities for young people to do in areas suffering with high anti-social behaviour. £6,100 was awarded to Ashford Town FC to support the setting up of a multi-sport sessions in Spelthorne.

Brockham Emergency Response Team

£1,000 was awarded to Brockham Emergency Response Team which was formed just before the severe flooding in Brockham in 2013. BERTs major role is the prevention of flooding and to respond within the village to severe weather events. The funding supported the group in purchasing an electronic system that would allow for flood sensors to be placed close to premises so that floodwater can be identified before harm is caused.

Eagle Radio

£34,750 was awarded to Eagle Radio to deliver media law training in schools. This is a three year programme which has seen significant success. This next phase will focus on independent schools in Surrey and Senior Management in schools.

GASP Motor Project

GASP provides hands-on courses in basic motor mechanics for young people. They support some of the hardest to reach young people in the community and in particular target those who are disaffected/ disadvantaged, either NEET or at risk of becoming NEET. Often the young people are disengaged, disruptive and on the margins of their communities. £10,000 was awarded to the GASP Motor project for a sessional worker to continue the focused work they deliver.

Horley Town Council

£4,000 was awarded to Horley Town Council to upgrade their CCTV to a digital system which will enhance the images captured, give greater coverage and allow authorised officers to view footage by smartphone and other devices. This will in turn provide a valuable resource to local officers in their prevention and detection of crime and disorder.

East Surrey Community Safety Partnership – Fly tipping project

Fly tipping has been identified as a key issue of concern for residents across the area of the new East Surrey Community Safety Partnership. This multi-faceted partnership campaign across the East will focus on evidence gathering via mobile CCTV, road stops for suspect vehicles to check trade waste licences and a high profile communications strategy which will send a strong zero tolerance message that fly-tippers will be caught and prosecuted. £10,000 was awarded to the East Surrey Partnership to support them in tackling flytipping in Mole Valley, Reigate and Banstead and Tandridge.

Surrey Heath Neighbourhood Watch

£5,000 was awarded to the Neighbourhood Watch group to procure home CCTV cameras to provide evidence to be used by the Police for the prosecution of burglars. The funding enabled the local Neighbourhood Watch to procure a batch of home CCTV cameras, making them available, free of charge, to elderly and vulnerable bona fide Neighbourhood Watch residents who would otherwise not be able to afford them.

Surrey Heath Neighbourhood Watch

£1,068 was awarded to the Neighbourhood Watch group to purchase Neighbourhood Watch Window Stickers for Neighbourhood Watch schemes in the County of Surrey. The Surrey Neighbourhood Watch has run out of deterrent stickers. These stickers provide reassurance and confidence to people in the community.

Surrey Heath Neighbourhood Watch

£1,000 was awarded to the Neighbourhood Watch group to support the delivery of a new project in Surrey Heath. Surrey Police have launched an initiative to use Surrey Heath Neighbourhood Watch (NW) volunteers to carry out crime reduction surveys. The project required pairs of Neighbourhood Watch volunteers to travel to a property, at the request of Surrey Police, and carry out a Crime Reduction Survey. The grant was required to cover travel costs of volunteers.

Surrey Ethnic Minority Forum

SEMF requested funding for a pilot project titled 'Active Communities' to address 'Domestic Abuse', 'Drug and Alcohol problems' and misperceptions on 'Mental illness' all subjects that are shrouded in secrecy and shame within BME communities. The funding enabled SMEF to employ a Project Co-ordinator for 3.5 days a week and a Support Worker for 1.5 days a week with additional delivery costs. £40,000 was awarded to fund this project.

Surrey ASB Strategy Group (c/o Surrey Police)

£10,000 was awarded to the Strategy Group to deliver the ASB Awareness week in 2015. The intention is that this becomes an annual countywide event which aims to reduce the Incorrect Demand to Agencies, identify and support repeat and vulnerable victims of ASB and increase in ASB victim satisfaction. The funding was intended to support the radio media campaign and establish a media library and develop practitioner forums.

Surrey Police – Operation signature

Operation Signature is a pan Surrey response aimed at minimising the vulnerability of elderly victims of deception and fraud. It involves working with partner agencies, carers and extended families to raise awareness of the breadth of deception and fraud scams. £12,000 was awarded to Surrey Police to deliver this project.

Surrey Youth Focus

£9,856 was awarded to support the delivery of Communilab. Communilab is an online and offline forum that brings together businesses, public sector organisations, youth organisations and schools/universities to create opportunities and solve problems for young people in Surrey. Many of the organisations and projects supported will focus on the most vulnerable young people who are most likely to be victims or perpetrators of crime. The funding will be used to engage at least 10 more medium/large businesses or local authorities to Communilab.

Transform Housing and Support

£5,813 was awarded to Transform to roll out the use of saliva drug testing kits and alcohol breathalysers to more of their housing projects across the county, including their projects for homeless people, young people and those with mental health issues. This allows them to house clients who would otherwise be assessed as too high risk due to their previous behaviour under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

1st Hedgecourt Scout Group

The 1st Hedgecourt Scout group were awarded £1,489.82 to replace much of their camping equipment. They have already undertaken several fundraising initiatives but have fallen short of the final amount needed. The funding allowed the group to continue to work with young people, providing a positive activity in the community. The project, while not directly meeting the People's Priorities, does provide some diversionary activities and teaches citizenship to young people.

Community Safety Partnerships

£6,000 was made available to each Community Safety Partnership to support solutions to local ASB issues. The funding was aimed at projects that have particularly focus on supporting the use of the new legislation, tackling some of the complicated ASB cases in the locally communities and supporting victims. Of the 11 Community Safety Partnerships, ten applied for funding. These applications were overseen by the Community Safety Fund Decision Panel who recommended that the ten applications be supported.

Child Safety Media – Junior Citizen

Junior Citizen is a multi-agency project that provides an interactive method of teaching children to become more aware of their personal safety, learn how to react to dangerous situations, practice safety skills within a controlled environment and gain knowledge that can be carried into the wider community and used in their everyday lives for the Mole Valley area. Child Safety Media were awarded £9,500 to organise and deliver Junior Citizen training to children in the Epsom and Ewell and Mole Valley area.

Surrey Community Mediation – Conflict Training

East Surrey Community Mediation were awarded £30,000 to run a pilot programme to assess the effectiveness of 'conflict coaching' for victims of crime in the East Surrey area.

Felbridge Bowling Club – CCTV upgrade

Felbridge Bowling Club were awarded £1,850 to enable them to install CCTV to deter anti-social behaviour and crime in the area.

GAV - Growing against Violence

£13,000 was awarded to GAV to deliver public and personal safety sessions in Surrey secondary schools. GAV is a public health and public safety programme which is aimed at students aged 10 to 15. GAV works closely with Local Authorities and Local Safeguarding Children's Boards to identify referral pathways.

Neighbourhood Watch Association – Advertising Campaign 'Eyes Wanted'

Elmbridge NHW Association was awarded £1,480 to run an advertising campaign to attract more members which will help reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in the Elmbridge area.

Neighbourhood Watch Association (East) – Visibility Programme

£1,000 was awarded to the Eastern Division of the Neighbourhood Watch Association to enable them to purchase 200 additional signs to replace dilapidated signs and out of date signs.

Revolve – Peer Review

Resolve were awarded £8,400 to undertake a peer review of partnerships and service providers of the support available to vulnerable victims of anti-social behaviour. This review will also test case management, governance arrangements and risk escalation processes to support the future commissioning of targeted support services for vulnerable victims.

South Godstone Sports and Community Association – CCTV upgrade

South Godstone Sports and Community Association were awarded £2,290 to facilitate an upgrade of their existing CCTV provision, to deter anti-social behaviour and crime in the area.

Spelthorne Borough Council – Junior Citizen

Spelthorne Borough Council were awarded £625 for the costs of providing refreshments to volunteers and VIP's at their 2015 Junior Citizen Event.

Spelthorne Borough Council – Out of Hours Service

Spelthorne Borough Council was awarded £12,000 for the provision of a reactive public service that will deal with complaints relating to noise and disturbance that occurs outside of usual hours. This service will support the Joint Enforcement Team

Spelthorne Borough Council – Crime Summit

Spelthorne Borough Council was awarded £500 to support the PCC's Crime Summit. As in previous years as part of Crime Summit local organisations can bid for £1,000 for a project which meets the People's Priorities and Spelthorne's community safety priorities. This year the funding went towards a schools based project teaching young people how to stay safe.

Spelthorne Borough Council – Senior Citizens Safety 2016

Spelthorne Borough Council was awarded £1,000 towards the cost of transport and catering for the annual Senior Citizens Safety event. This is an annual event to engage with and help to safeguard the elderly community of Spelthorne.

Surrey County Council – Youth Support Team – Substance Misuse Youth Restorative Intervention

Surrey County Council's Youth Support team was awarded £54,000 as a contribution to the Substance Misuse Youth Restorative Intervention programme which seeks to provide diversionary intervention to young people with the aim of keeping them out of the Criminal Justice System.

Woking Borough Council – Junior Citizen

Woking Borough Council was awarded £6,000 to cover the cost of 1,200 work books for the primary school children attending the Junior Citizen event and for those unable to attend. At the event they learned about stranger danger, fire safety, advice around 999 and hoax calls, being a good neighbour, water safety, anti-social behaviour, internet safety and railway safety. The work books are a useful follow up learning tool.

Cornerstone – YOLO

£15,000 was awarded to Cornerstone for their Youth Development Platform which is designed to work with young people countywide to unlock, promote and facilitate the development of unique potential through training and practical production of online media channels.

High Sheriff – Youth Awards

The High Sheriff was awarded £10,000 to be used towards a variety of youth projects.

Kane FM - Get Experience and Go Somewhere

Kane FM was awarded £10,000 to enable them to offer work experience and volunteer placements for young people aged 14-25 years at risk of offending to build confidence, team skills and self-esteem which will in turn improve employability, community integration and participation.

Reflex Woking – Outreach Programme

Reflex Woking was awarded £10,000 to run an outreach programme for young people who have fallen through the gap of existing youth provision in the county by providing drop in youth cafes and sports sessions. These will be used to help young people to tackle the issues that they have and signpost them to other services where applicable. This pilot programme will run initially in the Knaphill, Byfleet and Old Woking/Kingfield areas.

Surrey County Council – Transforming Justice – Women’s Restorative Intervention Project

£100,000 was awarded to Surrey County Council for this pilot programme of integrated working between partner agencies which seeks to reduce offending and reoffending by providing a support service for women within the Criminal Justice system.

The Amber Foundation – Amber Active

The Amber Foundation was awarded £10,000 towards the Amber-Active project which will provide a residential training programme focused on personal development, employability and resettlement skills for homeless out of work young people aged between 18 and 30.

The Bridge Project

£5,000 was awarded to The Bridge Project towards an intensive 90-day mentoring service and ongoing support for those seeking recovery from alcohol dependency and its associated consequences such as anti-social behaviour, petty crime, domestic abuse etc.

Transform Housing & Support – Promoting Digital inclusion; building safer communities

Transform Housing & Support was awarded £4,000 towards their Digital Inclusion programme which, following the success of the pilot will provide secure WiFi access to vulnerable clients living in seven of their shared properties. This will provide them with the opportunity for meaningful and productive activity at home, reducing the risk of anti-social behaviour in the local community.

Waverley Borough Council – Domestic Homicide Review

Waverley Borough Council was awarded £6,000 towards the costs of an independent chair and administrative support for a Domestic Homicide Review.