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**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER (PCC) FOR LINCOLNSHIRE  
REQUEST FOR DECISION**

**REF: 027/2023  
DATE: 13 November 2023**

<b>SUBJECT</b>	
<b>SERIOUS VIOLENCE</b>	
<b>REPORT BY</b>	<b>DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND OPERATIONS</b>
<b>CONTACT OFFICER</b>	<b>Joanne Davison, Director of Strategy and Operations Telephone 01522 947406</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT</b> To approve activities funded from the Serious Violence Duty Grant which will contribute to serious violence reduction and harm reduction.	
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	To approve the release of funding from the Serious Violence Duty Grant budget to deliver the activities as outlined at Appendix A for 2023/24 and Appendix B for 2024/25.

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE**

**I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this report.**

**Signature:**  **Date: 13 November 2023**

**A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC**

**A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 As detailed in Decision Note 010/2023 Lincolnshire OPCC secured up to £647,783.12 from the Home Office to cover the costs associated with delivering the Serious Violence Duty. That Decision Note approved the creation of a separate budget to manage the income and expenditure, and also approved that the spend against this budget would be agreed through the Serious Violence Core Priority Group.
- 1.2 At the Serious Violence CPG on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023 the proposals at Appendix A (2023/24) and Appendix B (2024/25) were discussed and agreed. These proposals align with the priorities identified within the needs assessment and strategy.

## **A2. LINKS TO POLICE AND CRIME PLAN AND PCC'S STRATEGIES/ PRIORITIES**

This funding will support delivery of the Serious Violence Duty. This funding will also help to deliver the strategic aims and priorities set out in the key principles of the Community Safety, Policing and Criminal Justice Plan for Lincolnshire 2021-2025. These are: Community Safety and prevention in partnership; Listening, responding and being accountable; Protecting and supporting victims and the vulnerable; Policing that works.

## **B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The income source for the activities at Appendix A is cost centre 2210705 (Serious Violence Duty Grant).

Within the Home Office grant, eligible expenditure is divided into labour (strategy development and people) and non-labour (implementation of interventions). The appendixes specify which stream of the funding will be used.

## **C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS**

Section 9 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides Police and Crime Commissioners with the powers to award crime and disorder grants to any organisations and projects which, in the opinion of the PCC, will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in the police area.

In addition, Section 143 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 provides Police and Crime Commissioners with powers to provide or commission services. Within the meaning of this section, a PCC may provide or arrange for the provision of:

- (a) services that in the opinion of the PCC will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in the PCC's area
- (b) services that are intended by the PCC to help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and anti-social behaviour
- (c) services of a description specified in an order made by the Secretary of State.

## **D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES**

There are no direct personnel, equal opportunities or diversity issues arising from this report.

## **E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS**

The Serious Violence Duty budget is monitored and reported at monthly OPCC finance meetings and reported to the Home Office as per the terms of the grant agreement. Review and evaluation arrangements will be put in place to assess whether intended outcomes have been achieved.

## **F. RISK MANAGEMENT**

Through the review and evaluation arrangements as necessary.

**G. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

Information in this form along with any supporting material is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation. Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC's website within one working day of approval. However, if release by that date would compromise the implementation of the decision being approved, publication may be deferred. An explanation for any deferment must be provided below, together with a date for publication.

**Is the publication of this form to be deferred?** No

**If Yes, for what reason:**

**Until what date:**

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**Is there a part 2 form?** No

**If Yes, for what reason:**

**ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION**

	Initial to confirm
Originating Officer: The Director of Strategy and Operations recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above.	JD
Financial advice: The Head of Finance has been consulted on this proposal.	JF
Monitoring Officer: The PCC's Monitoring Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	MB

## OFFICER APPROVAL

### ***Chief Executive***

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. Consultation outlined above has also taken place. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire.

**Signature:**

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**Date:** 7 November 2023

### Appendix A – 2023/24 Serious Violence Duty Spend – Home Office Grant

Recipient	Purpose	Amount	HO Grant Categorisation
St.John Ambulance	St.John Ambulance to provide a night-time economy service. To include a staffed treatment centre to undertake preventative engagement, medical intervention (following assault or injury) and/or act as a safe place for those who are vulnerable, and an Emergency Ambulance which will be on standby to convey any seriously unwell patients to the local hospital	£4,785	Non-labour
Lincolnshire Police	Delivery of The Happening - Knife Crime initiative hosted at Sleaford Police Station (formally named Think Sharp) to prevent and divert young people away from carrying a knife.	£30,000	Non-labour
Crimestoppers	A bespoke campaign to increase the confidence in women reaching out to support services such as LDASS and reporting crimes to the Police and Crimestoppers	£10,000	Non-labour
Lincolnshire Police	Purchase of knife detection equipment (2 knife Arches and 4 knife wands) to deliver Op Raptor	£5,448	Non-labour
University of Lincoln	Independent evaluation of the Summertime policing plan	£5,000	Labour
Rape Crisis	to review and rewrite the initial contact officer (ICO) investigation booklet which is completed by an ICO when they first meet a victim of rape or serious sexual offence and to provide trauma informed training to Initial Contact Officers which will enable them to use the ICO Investigation booklet effectively.	£11,200	Non-labour
<b>Total</b>		<b>£66,433</b>	

### Appendix B – 2024/25 Serious Violence Duty Spend – Home Office Grant

Recipient	Purpose	Amount	HO Grant Categorisation
St.John Ambulance	St.John Ambulance to provide a night-time economy service. To include a staffed treatment centre to undertake preventative engagement, medical intervention (following assault or injury) and/or act as a safe place for those who are vulnerable, and an Emergency Ambulance which will be on standby to convey any seriously unwell patients to the local hospital	£49,445	Non-labour
Lincolnshire Police	Delivery of The Happening - Knife Crime initiative hosted at Sleaford Police Station (formally named Think Sharp) to prevent and divert young people away from carrying a knife.	£39,000	Non-labour
Lincolnshire Police	VAWG Education Co-ordinator post	£39,000	Non-labour
<b>Total</b>		<b>£127,445</b>	