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

REF: 28/2023

DATE: 8 December 2023

SUBJECT	SAFER STREETS FUND 2023/24	
REPORT BY	DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND OPERATIONS	
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

Lincolnshire OPCC secured £992,655 from round 5 of the Home Office Safer Streets Fund 2023/24 and 2024/25.

To propose:

- The creation of a separate budget of £457,680.40 for 2023/24 and £534,974.60 for 2024/25 to manage the income and expenditure.
- That the objectives of the fund will be delivered through grant funding arrangements with partners.

RECOMMENDATIONS	1. To note the award of £992,655 from round 5 of the Home Office Safer Streets Fund 2023/24 and 2024/25.
	2. To approve the creation of a separate budget to manage the income and expenditure.
	3. To note that round 5 objectives will be delivered in partnership with North Kesteven District Council, South Kesteven District Council, City of Lincoln Council, East Lindsey District Council, South Holland District Council, Just Lincolnshire, and Lincolnshire Police.
	4. To approve that the objectives of the fund will be delivered through grant funding arrangements with partners.

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

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

Date: 8 December 2023
Signature:

A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC

A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Lincolnshire OPCC made a successful application to round 5 of the Home Office Safer Streets Fund for 2023/24 and 2024/25 and was awarded £992,655.
- 1.2 The round 5 fund aims to reduce levels of neighbourhood crime, VAWG and ASB significantly in disproportionately and persistently affected areas of England and Wales, and develop the evidence base to inform future investment and commissioning decisions.
- 1.3 The round 5 bid was based on:
 - · Additional CCTV cameras and staffing
 - ASB wardens
 - A Safer Streets Violence Against Women and Girls co-ordinator
 - Work to develop a 'Home Safe' initiative
 - Installation of new barriers, bollards and fencing
- 1.4 The project is being undertaken in partnership with North Kesteven District Council, South Kesteven District Council, City of Lincoln Council, East Lindsey District Council, South Holland District Council, Just Lincolnshire, and Lincolnshire Police and the objectives of the fund will be delivered through grant funding arrangements.

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

This funding will 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 sources to establish the Safer Streets budget is the Home Office Safer Streets Grant 2023/24.

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 Safer Streets budget will be 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

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ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION

	Initial to confirm
Originating Officer: The Partnership and Delivery manager recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above.	JD
Financial advice: The PCC's Chief Finance Officer 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.

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Signature:

Date: 8 December 2023