

Decision No 2014/39

REPORT TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

REPORT BY: Steve Freeman – Deputy Chief Finance Officer

DATE: 25 November 2014

TITLE: Application for financial support

Appendix A refers**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Commissioner has received an application for financial support from the Sophie Lancaster Foundation towards the cost of an event "Alternative solutions to tackling hate crime conference" to be held on 26 November 2014.

The application identifies that this conference meets the following PCC priorities:

1. Protecting vulnerable people
2. Promote targeted initiatives to contribute to tackling crime and re-offending
3. Champion the right of victims.

A contribution of £2,500 has been requested towards the total cost of the event (£4,753).

The request for funding was submitted as a request for support from the Community Action Fund and the application form is attached at Appendix A.

However, having considered the application it is considered more appropriate to provide funding from the Commissioner's Victims' Services budget rather than the Community Action Fund. It is also considered appropriate to provide a contribution to cover the full cost of the event of £4,753.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commissioner agree to the contribution of £4,753 to the Sophie Lancaster Foundation to support the Anti-Hate Crime conference.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of the contribution of £4,753 will be contained within the Commissioner's 2014-15 budget for Victims Services.

Decision taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire:

Original decision, as set out in the attached report, approved without amendment (please delete as appropriate)	YES	NO
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Original decision required to be amended and decision as detailed below:

The reasons for the amended decision are as detailed below:

Police and Crime Commissioner: Comments

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The PCC is asked to consider any personal / prejudicial interests he may have to disclose in relation to the matter under consideration in accordance with the law, the Nolan Principles and the Code of Conduct.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation.

Signed: Police and Crime Commissioner Date:	Signed: Chief Officer: Date:
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Chief Constable Date:	Chief Finance Officer: Date:
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Application Form

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE
COMMISSIONER'S COMMUNITY ACTION FUND

A: Details About Your Organisation

Name of Project
"Alternative Solutions To Tackling Hate Crime Conference – A Holistic Approach for 2014"

Name of group which will run the project:

The Sophie Lancaster Foundation

Date formed and the number of people in your group
2007

4 members of staff + 5 volunteers

Name and address of Project Organiser:

Ms Sylvia Lancaster
87 Deardengate
Haslingden
Lancashire
BB4 5SN

Name and address of contact (if different from
organiser)

Ms Kate Conboy-Greenwood

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Home: Work:

Email sylvialancaster@rocketmail.com

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Home: Work:

Email: inmemoryofsophie@hotmail.co.uk

Position in organisation:

Chief Executive

Position in organisation:

Campaign Manager

Is your organisation a formally constituted group?

Yes: X

No:

If "Yes" a copy of the constitution and latest accounts **must** be submitted with the Application

If "no" please contact LANPAC who may be able to assist with funding via their own scheme.

B: Details about your Project	
Proposed start date of project? 26 th November 2014	Proposed duration of project? 26 th November 2014
Which of the Police and Crime Commissioner's priorities will your project support?	
Protect Vulnerable People X <input type="checkbox"/>	Champion the Rights of Victims X <input type="checkbox"/>
Targeted & Local Initiatives to Tackle Crime, ASB and Re-Offending X <input type="checkbox"/>	
Give an outline of your project including details of the problem, issue or topic being tackled, who will benefit and the number of people involved: (maximum 500 words)	
<p>SLF is organising the first Alternative Hate Crime Conference which will include key note speakers from The Home Office, Lancashire PCC, Police, CPS, Victims of Hate Crime and Education Specialists.</p> <p>It also includes the launch of SLF's primary based educational resource.</p> <p>The aim of the conference is to show how SLF works creatively in partnership with other agencies to tackle the damage hate crime does to our communities. E.g. Addressing young offenders directly about the victim impact of hate motivated crime. Delivering training to response officers to provide a clearer understanding of people from alternative subcultures and the extent of the violence they face.</p> <p>It will showcase our work in education, with the police, NOMS and justice agencies. We will bring together victims, teachers and law makers/enforcers to demonstrate how our work is making a difference through education and training encouraging further partnership working.</p> <p>We will invite 150-200 people who through good practice can make a difference in our communities ensuring many additional people are reached.</p> <p>This meets the PCC's targets of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Protecting vulnerable people5. Promote targeted initiatives to contribute to tackling crime and re-offending6. Champion the right of victims. <p>Lancashire Police have just introduced "Alternative Subcultre" as an indicator for hate crime. In response to the recently published report, Chief Superintendent Stuart Noble stressed the importance of victims feeling they can approach the police. He said: "It is unacceptable that in 2014 people are still victimised because they are perceived as being different.</p> <p>"Interestingly this report has established that individuals are rarely targeted because of their religion but instead because of their appearance or behavior. Sadly children also feature amongst the perpetrators.</p> <p>"Anybody victimised because of hostility towards them motivated by their religion, race, disability, gender identity or sexual orientation should contact police. It is important that all incidents of hate crime are reported. It is vital for us to know what is affecting the communities of Lancashire, so we can work with our partners to prevent these crimes and incidents that we know have such a big impact on the victims.</p> <p>"... it is vital for us to know what is affecting the communities of Lancashire, so we can monitor any</p>	

hot spot areas and wherever possible introduce activities to stop hate crimes and incidents such as targeted work with young people.

Where will the project be located? Burnley Mechanics – Burnley Lancashire

Total cost of project? £4,753

How much are you requesting? £2500

Please provide a full breakdown of cost:

Burnley Mechanics Hire and Hospitality for 150 Delegates = £3925

Speakers Expenses = £859

Promotion = £269

Total = £4,753

If you do not receive the full amount of funding requested how will this impact your Project?
The project would still go ahead with some limitations.

How will you be able to show that your project has been successful?
We will ask for evaluation forms to be completed and seek feedback following the event. We will produce this information.

Is there any other partnership involvement? See above in main body, other agencies are involved.

Is your local Community Safety Partnership (CSP) aware of your project? Priorities for your local authority can be found at www.saferlancashire.co.uk

Yes: No:

If "YES" – which of the local CSP priorities does your project support?

Under the Lancashire Community Safety Agreement 2014 - 17

1. Strategic Activities – ASB and Hate Crime
2. Violent Crime
3. The strategic aim of supporting victims and reducing harm as well as enabling victims to cope and recover.

If "NO" – is there a specific reason why?

PLEASE GIVE DETAILS OF ANY OTHER RESOURCES OR FUNDING THAT YOU ARE USING TO SUPPORT THIS PROJECT:

WE HAVE £1000 FROM THE LOCAL PAPER BIG LOTTERY FUND (LANCASHIRE TELEGRAPH)
CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP IS BEING SOUGHT
SOME DELEGATES WILL PAY BUT WE WISH TO OFFER FREE PLACES TO VOLUNTARY, FAITH AND COMMUNITY GROUP MEMBERS.

C: Details about the Fund

The Commissioner's Community Action Fund is administered by LANPAC on behalf of the Police And Crime Commissioner

This form can be completed and submitted online at www.lancashire-pcc.gov.uk/cafapplication
Supporting documents can be emailed to lanpac@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

Alternatively, printed forms and supporting documents may be posted to:
LANPAC, Lancashire Constabulary Headquarters, Po Box 77, Hutton, Preston PR4 5SB

For further details about the Commissioners Fund please contact:
Ian Groundwater: 01772 412733 Al Yusuf: 01772 412796

A member of the LANPAC team will contact you within 30 working days of submission of this application with a decision on funding.

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER'S COMMUNITY ACTION FUND:

1. The maximum grant that can be applied for is £2,500, although the Commissioner will **normally** be looking for applications for less than this.
2. The Commissioner will not consider funding towards projects with a total cost of more than £10,000.
3. Organisations with unrestricted reserves of more than £10,000 will not be eligible for funding.
4. The Grant must be used for the project or scheme detailed on the Application Form and may not be used for any other projects or schemes.
5. If the full Grant is not used for the proposed project or scheme any underspend must be returned to the Commissioner's Community Action Fund.
6. The Commissioner will normally only consider one application per year from organisations or groups
7. A copy of the organisation/groups Constitution and latest Accounts **must** be submitted with the Application Form. Failure to do so may result in the Application being rejected.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

1. If your application is successful you will be expected to provide bank account details for your organisation. Funding will normally be paid into the nominated Bank Account by BACS payment. In certain circumstances LANPAC may propose making payment direct to a service / equipment provider where this would be of benefit to the local group.

2. An Expenditure & Evaluation form will be completed by the Applicant either at the end of the financial year in which the Grant is made or at the end of the project, whichever is sooner.
3. The "Commissioner's Community Action Fund" logo should be used on all literature associated with the project or scheme and this should be credited as the funding source in all media and press releases. By accepting the Grant you will be agreeing to the Police and Crime Commissioner being able to use details of your project or scheme in publicity and media releases.
4. The Police and Crime Commissioner or a member of his Team will attend project opening or launch events where possible – details of these are to be provided to LANPAC.