



**Lancashire
Constabulary**

police and communities together

DECISION 2015/21

DATE: 20 JULY 2015

TITLE: REQUEST FOR FUNDING – RURAL CRIME

REPORT BY:

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Executive Summary:

- The Commissioner's budget for 2015/16 has been distributed to allocate £70k for Business Crime
- Within this umbrella of Business Crime – Rural Crime is also considered
- This request seeks part funding for an educational handbook aimed at crime prevention for all farmers in Lancashire in partnership with LFRS/ambulance service/NFU
- The total cost of the booklet is £10k but the OPCC are being asked for part funding only to support the contributions made by the other partners
- If supported this leaves this would be a contributory cost of between £1500 still leaving over £65k in the Business Crime Budget

Recommendation:

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the proposed funding as outlined in the proposal below.

Signature

Clive Grunshaw

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date

21st July 2015

1. Background and Advice

The Commissioner has indicated his intention to work in partnership to support the delivery of his priorities and outcomes in particular in respect of business and rural crime. The allocation of this contribution to funding supports this intention and demonstrates the Commissioner's commitment to work pan-Lancashire with all local authorities and other key partners.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

The Crime Prevention Booklet detailed in Appendix B supports the Commissioner's Priorities as detailed in the Police and Crime Plan.

3. Consultation

N/A

4. Implications

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



5. Background Papers

None

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	
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
<p>Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer)</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.....<u>21-7-2015</u>.....</p>	

Appendix B

Lorraine Ellwood – Rural Policing and Wildlife Co-ordinator for the Constabulary has requested part funding support for a handbook in partnership with LFRS/Ambulance Service and NFU.

She has proactively engaged with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and has met with the Commissioner on a number of occasions to share crime interventions taking place on the local and national agenda she has indicated that she has also verbally requested support from the Commissioner on this project.

She has indicated that the total cost of the handbook is £10,000 but that this cost is shared by the partners mentioned above. The police/OPCC are being asked to contribute £2,000 and Lorraine has confirmed that she can obtain £500 from LANPAC.

The handbook's circulation is aimed at getting the rural community to consider their own crime prevention measures. The circulation list is aimed at all farms in Lancashire. There is a photo of the handbook attached which indicates that amendments can easily be inserted without having to produce a new booklet each time.

An enquiry has been made in respect of OPCC branding and Lorraine has provided assurance that our branding can be on the products if purchased. She is fully supportive of this branding and would like to see further endorsement from the OPCC with a forward from the Commissioner in the booklet.

In view of the forthcoming wildlife Crime Awareness Week in October and a forthcoming national conference – it is important to keep Rural Crime high on the agenda.

It will also feature as part of the agenda/market place for the forthcoming business Crime Event sponsored by the OPCC in November.

The proposal has been discussed with both the Commissioner (Clive) and the Director (Angela) of the OPCC and support and approval has been received verbally for this booklet.

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