



POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION 2019-44	DATE: 16th January 2020
TITLE: REDUCING REOFFENDING FUNDING	
REPORT BY: LOUISE FAIRCLOUGH	

Executive Summary

- The Commissioner's revenue budget for 2019-20 includes an allocation for Reducing Reoffending Funding. In August 2019 the Commissioner awarded £172,562.00 towards projects and initiatives that supported offenders.
- The Commissioner launched a further grant opportunity in October 2019 for organisations who provide support to offenders. Organisations could apply for up to £20,000 for projects and initiatives which meet at least one of the key aims of the reducing reoffending strategy as well as the Police and Crime Commissioners priorities.
- The Reducing Reoffending fund closed on Monday 2nd December 2019 with 9 organisations submitting applications for funding.
- This Decision seeks to confirm the allocation of £77,898.70 from the Reducing Reoffending Fund to the projects and initiatives outlined in Appendix A.

Recommendations

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the proposed use of the Reducing Reoffending Fund as outlined in Appendix A.

Signature

Clive Grunshaw

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date

14th January 2020

PART I

1. Background and Advice

All applications have been assessed against the Fund Criteria and if recommended for approval meet all the criteria.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

All applications recommended for approval support one or more of the priorities detailed in the Police and Crime Plan.

3. Consultation

N/A

4. Implications

a. Legal

None to consider.

b. Financial

Contained in the report above.

c. Equality considerations

Equality data is currently gathered on all applications.



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) 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>20/01/2020</u></p>	



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REDUCING REOFFENDING FUNDING 2019-20

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL:

- 1. BLACKPOOL FC COMMUNITY TRUST
BLACKPOOL COMMUNITY COHESION
LOCAL BOARD AREA: WEST
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £7,964.00**

Blackpool FC Community Trust in partnership with the Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) and Active Lancashire support ex-offenders through the transition from prison back into society after their release. Support includes 121s, regular review meetings, help accessing further education, traineeships and volunteer opportunities.

£7,964.00 will allow Blackpool FC Community Trust to support a further 27 individuals plus establish a boxercise programme and a regular gym session specifically for ex-offenders.

Blackpool FC Community Trust have £5,000 match funding from Active Lancashire towards the project.

RECOMMENDATION: That £7,964.00 is awarded to Blackpool FC Community Trust.

- 2. THE 180 PROGRAMME CIC
THE 180 PROJECT – BE THE BEST YOU!
LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £19,680.00**

The 180 Programme would like to run an adapted CrossFit Programme, specifically targeting individuals who have recently been released from prison or residential rehabilitation who wish to live a life free from crime, drugs and alcohol.

30 Individuals will take part in a 24 week programme which includes physical training as well as wellbeing sessions that focus on such as social integration, friends and relationships, careers and volunteering opportunities.

The 180 Programme will run the course four times within a 12 month period supporting 120 individuals. Upon course end, participants will have the opportunity to be trained as peer mentors and volunteers.

RECOMMENDATION: That £19,680.00 is awarded to The 180 Programme CIC.



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**3. MAGISTRA CIVITAS CIC
THE LIFEBOAT PROGRAMME
LOCAL BOARD AREA: PAN-LANCASHIRE
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £17,452.00**

The Lifeboat Programme involves 8 trauma informed intervention sessions working with ex-offenders resettling back into the community, focusing on behaviour change. Participants will develop their communication skills, personal and emotional responsibility. Magistra is a registered provider with the Restorative Justice Council and therefore applies restorative practice principles when working with clients.

Magistra Civitas will work with 48 individuals over the course of a year through the delivery of four Lifeboat Programmes. Magistra Civitas will work with the OPCC and the Local Reducing Reoffending Boards to target areas of need.

RECOMMENDATION: That £17,452.00 is awarded to Magistra Civitas CIC.

**4. PRISON ADVICE AND CARE TRUST (PACT)
PACT FRESH FAMILY STARTS
LOCAL BOARD AREA: PAN-LANCASHIRE
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £14,062.70**

PACT delivery two schemes; Building Better Families and Within My Reach. PACT would like to deliver 12 courses over a year targeting 96 individuals and their families who are about to be released from prison. Participants will take part in a 121s and small group sessions focussing on maintaining, developing and improving family relationships.

PACT work in partnership with the CRC and will receive referrals from HMP Lancaster Farms and HMP Preston.

RECOMMENDATION: That £14,062.70 is awarded to Prison Advice and Care Trust.

**5. INSPIRE MOTIVATE OVERCOME (IMO)
PDP – PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £18,740.00**

IMO work in partnership with the Community Rehabilitation Company to target individuals with complex issues, substance misuse and offending behaviour. Participants have the opportunity to improve their lifestyle through a structured programme delivered through 121s and group sessions looking at emotions, pressures, careers and social isolation.

IMO received funding from the Reducing Reoffending Fund in 2018/19 where they anticipated they would support 26 individuals when in reality they supported 56 clients. IMO would like continuation funding for 12 months to support a further 60 individuals.

RECOMMENDATION: That £18,740.00 is awarded to Inspire Motivate Overcome (IMO).



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APPLICATIONS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

**A. ENTERPRISING HABITS CIC
RE-INT-L-ECT
LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £19,800.00**

Enterprising Habits would like to support 12 offenders resettle back into society. Enterprising Habits would work with clients offering advice and support, building their confidence and signposting onto to other services.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as it is noted the majority of funding will pay for social activities rather than structures support and there is little evidence to demonstrate the proven outcomes of this project.

**B. CONNECTOR MEDIA CIC (T/A SEWING ROOMS)
SEW CREATIVE
LOCAL BOARD AREA: SOUTH
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £10,000.00**

Connector Media CIC would like to work with female offenders and provide them with the opportunity to develop their basic sewing skills. It is believed sewing can act as a distraction and relaxation therapy.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as there was little evidence to support the Police and Crime Commissioner's priorities together with no clear outcomes / outputs.

**C. HEADSSUP CIC
HEADSSUP WELLMEING E-LEARNING PORTAL
LOCAL BOARD AREA: SOUTH
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £20,000.00**

Headssup CIC have an online self-help portal for ex-offenders. The portal includes a 10 point plan which focusses emotions, ACE's, finance and employment.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as it is not clear how Headssup CIC will target offenders as they have yet to establish links with relevant agencies and as such have no proven successes around outcomes/outputs.

**D. BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DWP CONNECTOR
LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £10,000.00**

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council would like funding towards the secondment of an outreach worker from the DWP into Blackburn with Darwen Council who will be able to offer advice and support.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as the Reducing Reoffending Fund will not fund / contribute to posts.



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FUNDING SUMMARY:

ORGANISATION	AMOUNT
Blackpool FC Community Trust	£7,964.00
The 180 Programme CIC	£19,680.00
Magistra Civitas CIC	£17,452.00
PACT (Prison Advice and Care Trust)	£14,062.70
Inspire Motivate Overcome (IMO)	£18,740.00
TOTAL	£77,898.70