



POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION 2015/57	Date: 4th November, 2015								
TITLE: COMMUNITY ACTION FUND APPLICATIONS									
REPORT BY: STEFF HULL									
<p>Executive Summary The Commissioner has established a Community Action Fund.</p> <p>In 2014-15 the fund available was £50,000 with approved applications totalling £50,684, the additional funding being an under-spend from 2013-14.</p> <p>As a result of increasing interest from community groups and organisations the Commissioner has increased the Community Action Fund in 2015-16 to £75,000 to maximise the impact of the Fund whilst ensuring that it is at a level that can be fully allocated.</p> <p>Applications are invited from voluntary, community and faith (VCF) sector constituted organisations. The Fund is administered by LANPAC on behalf of the Commissioner.</p> <p>LANPAC has received 4 applications in October 2015 which have been reviewed in line with the terms and conditions and criteria of the Fund as follows:</p> <table><tr><td>1. West End Deleopment Group</td><td>- Recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>2. Volunteer in Brazil</td><td>- Recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>3. Youth Base Action</td><td>- Recommended for approval</td></tr><tr><td>4. Just Good Friends</td><td>- Not Recommended for approval</td></tr></table> <p>These Applications have been reviewed to ensure that they are operating in areas where there are high incidents of ASB, Criminal Damage, etc. and that they support priorities identified by the Commissioner and the local Community Safety Partnerships.</p>		1. West End Deleopment Group	- Recommended for approval	2. Volunteer in Brazil	- Recommended for approval	3. Youth Base Action	- Recommended for approval	4. Just Good Friends	- Not Recommended for approval
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Recommendation

The Grant Information indicated that, whilst the maximum grant is £2,500, the Commissioner would be looking for applications lower than this to enable the fund to be widely available as possible.

Where a lower grant than that applied for has been recommended, LANPAC will work with the applicant to ensure that the project will be able to continue and will provide support and advice in regard to other funding options.

The Commissioner is recommended to approve the level of funding for the Applications as outlined in Appendix A.

The total amount of funding recommended is £6,801

Financial Implications

The 2015-16 budget for the Community Action Fund is £75,000 of which £56,010 has already been approved and awarded to other projects and schemes. The **£6,801** funding for these applications will be met from the remaining £18,990 leaving an unspent balance in the Fund of £12,189

Signature

Clive Graham

Police and Crime Commissioner

Date

11th November 2015.