



RECOMMENDATION REPORT

DECISION: 28/2025	DATE: 01/09/2025
TITLE: COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP FUND	
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SPONSOR: REBECCA KEECH	
Executive Summary The Commissioner has provided funding for the provision of grants to enable activity that supports the delivery of his Police and Crime Plan. The Community Safety Partnership Fund provides grants of up to £4,500 to deliver activity that will address one or more of the Police and Crime Plan priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prevent Violence Against Women and Girls• Tackle Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour• Get Tough on Serious Violent Crime• Rebuild Trust and Confidence in Policing As well as this activity must address one or more of the local areas strategic priorities. The Police and Crime Commissioner received an application from Blackburn with Darwen Community Safety Partnership.	
Recommendation The Police and Crime Commissioner is asked to approve the allocation of £4,500 to Blackburn with Darwen Community Safety Partnership.	

PART I

1. Background and Advice

The PCC recently launched a dedicated funding round to allow each of Lancashire's CSP's the opportunity to apply for funding to support local partnerships working together to reduce crime, anti-social behaviour, and community harm. CSP's can propose schemes for consideration by the Commissioner through the application process, with a maximum grant per application of £5,000. All funding applications must demonstrate how they contribute to one or more of the Police and Crime Plan strategic priorities.

The No More Knives Tour aims to deliver early, school-based interventions that raise awareness, change attitudes, and connect students to safeguarding and support services, thereby preventing youth involvement in serious violence and exploitation. **Key Interventions include:**

- Full-day school visits with sessions for all year groups
- Engaging format using live music, videos, storytelling, and testimonies
- Police officer participation for safety and legal guidance
- Signposting to local support services
- Final concert event to reinforce positive choices and community unity
- Targeting approx. 3,300 students in Years 7–11

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

Tackle Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour

Get Tough on Serious and Violent Crime

3. Consultations

Problem Orientated Policing Command.

4. Implications:

a. Legal

Funding to be issued directly to Blackburn with Darwen Council on a Grant Agreement.

b. Financial

£4,500 to be allocated – utilising funding allocated by the PCC to the CSP Fund.

c. Equality Impact Assessment

Subject to the Equality Impact Assessment across all community funding.

d. Data Protection Assessment

There are no direct Data protection implications in the making of this decision

5 Risk Management

Subject to Community Fund Risk Management matrix.

6. Background Papers

Appendix A – Overview of project.

7. 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	
Author Signature: Beth Willmott	Date: 08/09/2025
Sponsor I have read the above report and confirm this is factually correct. Signature: Rebecca Keech	Date: 08/09/2025
Section 151 Officer for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner I have read the above report and have considered the financial implications. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate (financial) request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire. Signature: Steve Freeman	Date: 08/09/2025
Chief Executive (Monitoring Officer) for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire 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. Signature: Anna Hopkins	Date: 08/09/2025