



RECOMMENDATION REPORT

DECISION: 85/2025	DATE: 25/02/2026
TITLE: VIOLENCE REDUCTION NETWORK – PRISONS	
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Executive Summary Through the Commissioners Violence Reduction Unit (VRN), grant funding is available to the provision of support services to Prisoners and their families. Through the Violence Reduction Network (VRN) 6 applications for funding for prison related programmes have been received and evaluated.	
Recommendation The Police and Crime Commissioner is recommended to approve the allocation of £38,000 towards the 6 applications outlined in Appendix A.	

PART I

1. Background and Advice

Funding for prisoner-based support programmes are available through the Commissioners VRU Grant.

6 Applications have been received and evaluated by the Violence Reduction Network (VRN).

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

All applications make explicit links to the Police and Crime Plan, see Appendix A.

- Tackle Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour
- Get Tough on Serious Violent Crime

3. Consultations

Lancashire Constabulary, the Problem Oriented Policing Team, Local Community Safety Managers, Prisons, Probation and internal policy leads.

4. Implications:

a. Legal

All projects will be delivered under grant agreements.

b. Financial

Applications approved utilise the budget allocated to the VRU Grant 25/26.

c. Equality Impact Assessment

Subject to the Equality Impact Assessment across all community funding – in development.

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 – list of successful applicants.

7. Public access to information

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