



PCC Funding Initiatives Herefordshire

July 2019

The Commissioner's Grant Scheme (CGS)

This budget focuses on projects committed to delivering outcomes in the Safer West Mercia Plan.

£30,000

To Longlands Care Farm to provide an alternative education setting for young people that are excluded from and/or struggle with mainstream education settings. The project enables young people to gain hands on, practical workplace experience as well as achieve recognisable qualifications leading to further education and/or employment. It also provides mental health support for young people suffering depression, anxiety and anti-social and anger issues.

£74,628

To HVOSS for the 'No Wrong Door' project. This is the second phase of the project aiming to establish a collaborative network of partners in order to offer a single point of contact for young people between the ages of 11 to 25 to access information support and guidance. Topics currently covered include drug and alcohol cessation, housing advice, life skills and education, stress and anxiety, and sexual health and relationships.

£10,000

To Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service (HWFRS) to pay for a commissioned evaluation of the Dying to Drive (D2D) programme. D2D is a multiagency road safety scheme aimed at changing behaviour amongst young road users, empowering them to make positive choices reducing death and serious injury across Herefordshire and Worcestershire.

£40,000

To Herefordshire Council to promote road safety for young drivers. The grant will pay for advice and guidance from a consultant on the most effective and influential method of communicating with young drivers and/or parents and the design and messages of the materials offered. It will also include a parentchild contract initiative known to work well in the USA.

Preventing/reducing burglary

Upper Tier Local Authority Councillors have access to financial support for reducing acquisitive crime. The PCC is offering a 25% contribution to the We Don't Buy Crime (WDBC) scheme increasing the reach across West Mercia. Up to £225,000 has been made available from the PCC to invest in this initiative. WDBC towns and villages are where 70% of residential properties have marked their possessions with Smartwater (a water based solution with a unique forensic code that shows up under UV light). WDBC signs are installed through the village/town warning potential offenders to prevent burglary. Traces of Smartwater found on an offender provides the evidence required for a successful prosecution. Registered Smartwater identified on stolen property increases the likelihood of it being returned to the owner. There are currently no areas implementing the WDBC scheme in Herefordshire.

Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Grants

Each CSP is provided with a ring-fenced budget from the PCC. This budget is spent on proactive community safety initiatives, addressing local needs and creating a safer and more secure West Mercia.

Core funding:

£20,000

For CSP analytical support. Contribution towards 3 x FTE Partnership Analysts to work with the 5 CSP areas.

£14,500

For a 'Leominster Ambassador Street Presence'. Vennture are working with Leominster Town Council to introduce an ambassador presence to Leominster Town Centre. This is part of building an integrated community management approach to reduce antisocial behaviour and increase perceptions of public safety. The purpose of the project is to place a tangible, caring presence on the streets of Leominster supporting the police, town council and businesses.

£7,550

For 'Inspiring Families'. This programme works with families where there is (potential) domestic abuse. The programme builds on the premise that many families wish to remain as a unit despite the current issues. The support is mid to long term and engages between eight and 12 families per year.

£27,660

To Lean-on-Me. An innovative pathway, which cares more for the injured and inebriated in Hereford's night time economy, whilst reducing the burden on emergency services - enabling them to respond faster to more serious incidents.

£10,000

For Hate crime awareness to work with under 25 year olds to raise awareness of the impact of hate crime and the benefits of tolerance and respect – schools and colleges, youth groups and 16+ team in H.C.

- Plan and deliver a social media campaign to raise awareness of hate crime and to promote No Prejudice in Herefordshire, including the day in September 2018.
- Work with Herefordshire Vennture and Mind to expand the reach of the Safe Places initiative.
- Continue to develop relationships with organisations, such as No Wrong Door, Herefordshire FA (through Inclusion Advisory Group) and Kick it Out to challenge prejudices and attitudes as well as support victims.
- Support for Restorative Justice to address hate crime from the perspective of the 'victim'.
- Work with police to understand and address any trends in hate crime and incidents based on stats and local intelligence.

• Work with the police to provide a joined up approach to supporting every victim who reports a hate crime / incident.

£19,500

For EPIC Volunteering. Engaging young people in positive volunteering roles in the community, especially the young people who are likely to be antisocial and a future burden to society. Through positive group volunteering experiences, the EPIC Volunteers learn how to make a positive contribution to their local community, by working alongside their peers, Young Leaders, Youth Workers and Community Leaders.

£5,790

For Criminal Exploitation Diversion Project. The scheme will establish a criminal exploitation diversion worker who will provide individual tailored interventions, support or brokerage into other relevant services for young people:

- at risk of being criminally exploited
- already engaged in criminal activities due to being victims of criminal exploitation for whom agencies do not wish to resolve with criminal justice sanctions.
- at risk of being recruited into gangs or involvement in serious or violent crime
- on the edge of activities being undertaken by or on behalf of OCGs or gangs

with the aim of diverting these young people from becoming victims of exploitation, building their resilience against victimisation and supporting them in desisting in criminal activities.

CCTV

£130,000

Will be used over 2018-20 to ensure that the CCTV equipment is maintained and operated to the highest standard, repairs are made in a timely manner and the system complies with the principles of the new Data Protection Act and Human Rights Act along with all other legislation pertaining to public space CCTV. It will also support the transmission links that will cover the county providing real times images to the CCTV control room and then in turn to the OCC (Operational Communications Centre) at Hindlip.

Local Policing and Community Ambassador's Fund (LPCAF)

The PCC provides the safer neighbourhood teams and his community ambassadors with the autonomy to support local initiatives. A branch of this fund is for 'safer roads', whereby SNTs can apply for funding to prevent the harm caused by a road traffic collision in the areas they serve.

Some examples include:

£1,620

For FEARLESS support worker sessions to educate young people in multiple areas of concern from knife crime to CSE.

£1,500

To Addaction to develop an audio visual clip educating young people, families and professionals on the consequences of substance misuse.

£850

To fund a guest speaker at Herefordshire's multiagency Adverse Childhood Experiences and Trauma Informed Practice Conference.

£1,299

For toilet Facilities and Crucial Crew drawstring bags and leaflets.

£400

For funding for MATES Operation (£350 per day for dog handler and tobacco Dogs, Day 1 one shop Ross Day 2 Two shops Hereford Day 3 Two shops Hereford & Leominster).

£2,611

For 2 CCTVs to be installed in Kingstone.

£1,332

for Exploring Choices - pilot scheme to work with vulnerable young people who are potentially engaging in County Lines and Low Level ASB (1-2-1 training sessions for six weeks at local gym).

£5,000

For the Sanctuary Scheme to install security measures to high risk properties and vulnerable victims of crime.

£106

For Youth Diversionary and the hire of mini bus for free boxing sessions at Kingstone Boxing Club.

£1,750

For Electric Bike Trial - to improve the visibility and accessibility of the SNT by providing an electrically assisted bicycle to enable them to cover a greater range.

£350

To allow a PCSO to deliver inputs at local primary schools to raise awareness of equality and diversity in an effort to reduce ASB/Hate Crime.

£800

For Hereford Business Improvement District to enhance security by preventing unauthorised access to the roof tops of businesses in and around Gilbies and also defecation late at night by people on a night out.

£300

To Fit & Fed to fund boxing sessions, followed by food in order to decrease anti-social behaviour and crime due to the youths not having much to do in the summer holidays. The project will run Monday to Friday for 6 weeks in the summer holidays

£550

To Horizon Training to make improvements to the Common Room to ensure students have a relaxation areas at break time to ensure they remain in the building.

Local Policing and Community Ambassador Fund (LPCAF) - Safer Roads

£5,000

For a pre-test practical and theoretical course equipping young people aged 15-17 to drive safely.

£12,360

For three hand held speed enforcement devices. These will facilitate Community Speed Watch (CSW) groups to detect and manage speed issues within their communities, with the support of local SNT and policing teams. They will also be used at community engagement events to raise awareness of speed enforcement with the public.

The above list of PCC funding initiatives is in addition to the West Mercia wide funded projects which are also available to the communities of Herefordshire.