



PCC Funding Initiatives North Worcestershire

June 2019

The Commissioner's Grant Scheme (CGS)

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

£1,000

To the Magistrates Association for the Court Mock Trial competition. Schools run a citizenship curriculum to teach students about the country they live in and their responsibilities within it; this includes how the criminal justice system in England and Wales works, focusing on human rights and the importance of a fair trial. A competition is held, where the students participate in a mock criminal trial and focuses on areas relevant to them such as cyber-bullying, alcohol, gangs, etc. This whole process teaches young people to respect the law, work with the police, and increases their understanding of the causes of offending and how to address it.

£20,000

To Worcestershire Arts Partnership for Inspiring Futures through the Arts: using high quality artists, selected by a panel of probation officers, service users and arts experts, to provide a regular programme of arts interventions/diversionary activity for offenders who are at risk of re-offending.

£100,000

This forms part of a £600k Drive project to deliver in Worcestershire until June 2020. The Drive Project aims to reduce the number of child and adult victims of domestic abuse by deterring perpetrator behaviour. Drive provides a case worker who acts as a single point of contact for perpetrators on a 1-2-1 basis. They work closely with all statutory agencies including the police, probation and children's services to maximise the impact of the criminal justice system, developing and agreeing strategies to limit the opportunities for the perpetrator to continue abusing. This pilot focuses on priority (high-risk or serial) perpetrators, as this group carries the greatest risk of serious harm and engage poorly in available services.

£20,000

To Lord Taverners for the Wicketz project using cricket as a catalyst to engage Kidderminster's young people experiencing deprivation and disadvantage. The programme is supported by 'lifestyle workshops', delivered by subject experts on local issues such as knife crime, social media safety and gang activity. It is very much focused on community cohesion.

£53,963

Providing link workers for Worcestershire's GET SAFE strategic and operational groups. The posts will be working with children and young people in, or at risk of criminal exploitation. They will build a relationship with the victim, giving them 121 support motivating them to reach their potential and encouraging them to engage with sustainable positive activities. The purpose is to divert through enhanced intensive support.

£10,000

To Herefordshire and Worcestershire Fire and Rescue Service (HWFRS) to pay for a commissioned evaluation of the Dying to Drive (D2D) programme. D2D is a multi-agency 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.

Preventing/Reducing Burglary

Upper Tier Local Authority Councillors have access to financial support for reducing acquisitive crime. The PCC offers a 25% contribution to the WDBC scheme increasing the 'We Don't Buy Crime' areas across West Mercia. 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 preventing burglary. In North Worcestershire the following areas are implementing the WDBC scheme: Rock, Upper Arley, Trimperley, Wythall, Frankley, Chaddersley Corbett, Blakedown, Bentley, Feckenham, Bournheath, Shawbury, Hadnall, Chetwynd Aston, West Felton, Majors Green, Hartlebury, Romsley, Clent, Fairfield, Hanbury, Headless Cross, Walkers Heath Little Witley, Beoley, Kidderminster, Astwood Bank, Cofton Hackett and Dodford and Grafton.

Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Grants

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

Core funding

£48,125

To Wyre Forest Keeping Safe Project to provide key activities such as: community ambassadors (a young citizenship celebration event), a home security scheme for burglary, domestic abuse and seasonal crime prevention campaigns, white ribbon and 16 days of action, hate crime awareness week, developing and co-ordinating multi-agency plans to tackle crime, disorder and ASB.

£20,000

To the NW partnership Analyst to scan and analyse emerging problems and development of partnership responses and information sharing.

£47,000

For NWCSP CCTV Capital Upgrade Programme. This project will enhance current monitoring capabilities and futureproof the CCTV scheme that covers the district areas of Bromsgrove, Redditch and Wyre Forest.

£23,125

For the Respect Programme - Therapeutic Mentoring Scheme. This scheme provides 1:1 support sessions to young people at risk of becoming victims or perpetrators of crime. Young people are referred by their teachers or social workers and are provided with bespoke weekly sessions with a trained therapeutic mentor to identify and work on issues in their lives that are putting them at risk.

£1,000

For North Worcestershire Young Citizens Challenge. Deliver short interactive workshops on personal safety to Year 6 Primary School children with the purpose of informing and checking their knowledge to ensure they stay safe and make the right choices in a variety of situations

CCTV

£289,000

For a capital upgrade programme to enhance current monitoring capabilities and futureproof the CCTV scheme that covers the district areas of Bromsgrove, Redditch and Wyre Forest. The project will include digital transmission of images, Internet Protocol (IP) Recording Solution of those images, updated monitoring and control software, remote access to images for live view, post incident review and evidence collection. Nine re-deployable cameras will be integrated within the scheme.

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.

Local Policing and Community Ambassador Fund (LPCAF)

£1,000

For ground hire costs and official professional fees for the international police cricket carnival where youngsters will be invited to reinforce a positive experience of the Police through a common interest.

£1,400

For Handheld speed enforcement pro laser equipment for Speed Awareness in SNT area.

£140

For 15 rugby balls for Rugby coaching in schools in order to promote Youth Inclusion Activities.

£1,500

To replace sports equipment and arts & crafts in order to engage 12-19yrs in community activities.

£400

To purchase crime prevention & home security items (Kidderminster SNT) Community Engagement, Crime Prevention & Community Reassurance.

£272

For Purchase of uniforms for 4 volunteers to support the community engagement process within schools and other partner groups.

2,000

For the purchase of 7 new bundles of Tag Rugby Kit including trophies and medals for year 6 tournament in Wyre Forest to provide opportunities to engage young people, break down barriers and promote relationships with the Police.

£2,887

For Crime Stoppers/ Fearless Crime Workshop for one Fearless Worker 1 day per week over 6 months.

£2,000

To deliver education classes on self-defence and knife crime across local communities, targeting young people.

£911

For North Worcestershire Open Day to purchase Card Defenders, Safe Cans, Don't text and drive packs, Dipping bells G Clip, Defender purse/ bag cables.

£162

For Bromsgrove Town Centre Purse Thefts to purchase Dipping Bells and Purse Dipping Cables.

£647

To fund a temporary post for a researcher to provide Worcester University with data for the Drive project.

£740

To purchase merchandise for Bromsgrove Police and Fire Open day. The event shows the public the work of the emergency services, promotes engagement with youngsters and builds better relationships.

£1,390

For KDYT Community Champions Programme. Young people volunteering throughout summer holidays receive t shirts, transportation, certificates, refreshments, awards and safety equipment,

£1,000

To support a Young Cadets schemes in four primary schools in Bewdley by conducting a 6 week classroom scheme covering communication, SOCO, personal and internet safety, road safety and ASB. Provision of uniforms, caps and lanyards.

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

£3,000

To supplement the purchase of bicycles for disadvantaged children so as they can participate in bikeability and learn how to ride a bike safely on the roads.

£5,000

To purchase two vehicle activated signs for country lanes in Kidderminster responding to perceived and actual reports of speeding traffic.

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 North Worcestershire.