



South Worcestershire 2019/20

The Commissioner's Grant Scheme (CGS)

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

£1000 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 and the important issues that arise such as human rights (especially the rights to freedom and a fair trial), the burden of proof, the impact of crime, what makes a crime more or less serious, issues regarding effective sentencing etc. The funded element of this project is the competition held at the end of the taught curriculum, where the students participate in a mock criminal trial. This whole process teaches young people to respect the law, work with the police, and increases their understanding of the causes of offending. The mock trial will always focus on an area relevant to young people: recent topics have included cyber-bullying, alcohol, gangs etc. Young people also focus on human rights and the importance of a fair trial.

£22,085 to the Aspire Academy for the 'Aspire Plus': the project aims to engage vulnerable young people at risk of offending behaviours and anti-social behaviours in an out of school programme of activities to boost social skills, employability skills and acquire accreditation.

£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.

£100,000 for the Drive Project forming part of a £600k project to deliver in Worcestershire until June 2020. The Drive Project is a new response to domestic abuse that aims **to reduce the number of child and adult victims of domestic abuse by deterring perpetrator behaviour**. Drive provides a case manager who acts as a single point of contact for perpetrators on a 1-2-1 basis. Liaising closely with local police and support agencies, case workers deploy a two-pronged attack of disruption through the criminal justice system and or/ support for unresolved personal issues to stop domestic abuse. The case manager works 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. The service has been developed to knit together existing services, complementing and enhancing existing interventions. 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 for the 'Pathfinder Project'. This volunteer run project is designed to reduce the number of road traffic collisions, casualties (KSIs) and convictions amongst vulnerable novice drivers, i.e. 17-24 year olds through pre-licence driver development. Young people attend before they are 17 work with their parent or appropriate adult in a partnership environment where they develop understanding of road risk, a positive attitude to road safety and technical driving skills.

£2,500 to support SSAFA prison in reach caseworkers. This grant will fund travel expenses for caseworkers to engage with ex-servicemen and women who are incarcerated to support repatriation and a crime-free life. SSAFA's aim is to identify as early as possible Armed Forces Veterans in the Criminal Justice System, make contact and offer them and their families pastoral and material support.

£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.

£33,963 for a GET SAFE Link Worker providing support for Worcestershire's GET SAFE strategic and operational groups. The post will be working with 13-18 year olds **in, or at risk of being involved in criminal exploitation**. S/he will build a relationship with the victim-perpetrator, giving them 121 support motivating

them to reach their potential and encouraging them to engage with sustainable positive activities. The purpose is to divert the targeted individuals 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.

£29,986 to Women's Aid externally funded and providing additional capacity to existing PCC funding for a children and young people's project delivering bespoke programmes of support to children between the ages of 5-19 whose parents/carers are engaged in Drive or are being considered by the Domestic Abuse Perpetrator panel.

£63,825 for 1.5 Exploitation and Vulnerability Trainers to coordinate and deliver a prevention package around Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE), to professionals and community groups delivering services to children.

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 Sth Worcestershire **Bredon, Claines, Wyre Piddle Monkwood Green, Sinton Green and Grimley Village** have been provided with approval to deliver the scheme.

Preventing 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 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. In North Worcestershire the following areas are implementing the WDBC scheme: Cropthorne, Ombersley, Stockton, Wickhamford, Elmbridge, Stock and Bradley, Abbots Morton, Overbury, Dodderhil, Badsey, Ashton under Hill, Beckbury, Wichenford, Rushock, Elmley Lovett, Bredon, Claines, Church Aston, Monkwood Green, Sinton Green, Grimley, Wyre Piddle.

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

£4,000 for Worcester Street Pastors: An inter-denominational church response to urban problems within the night-time economy. Street pastor teams operate on Worcester's city centre streets overnight Saturday into Sunday (generally 10pm - 4am) Working in partnership, they seek to support people in need, help reduce incidents of crime & anti-social behaviour, protect the vulnerable/ victims, bring a reassuring and calming presence onto the streets and reduce demands upon the statutory services.

£200,000 for partnership analyst provision, inclusive of strategic assessment, performance monitoring, scanning and analysis of emerging problems and development of partnership responses and information sharing.

CCTV

£3,129.92 for camera repair for Black Horse Walk. Residents are suffering from anti-social behaviour and crime and the repair of the street CCTV camera will provide reassurance and a feeling of safety in their neighbourhood.

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 SNT's 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)

Some examples include:

£750 for substance misuse workshops at a school in Evesham

£25,000 for CCTV upgrade in Worcester.

£ 408 for Getsafe in Worcestershire by providing polo shirts with Getsafe Logo for use in promotion & awareness.

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

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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 South Worcestershire