



**To:** Business Coordination Board

**From:** Chief Executive

**Date:** 14 March 2017

## THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S YOUTH FUND – A NEW APPROACH

### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Business Coordination Board (“the Board”) of the Police and Crime Commissioner’s (the “Commissioner’s”) intention to take a new approach in the management of the £40k Police and Crime Commissioner’s Youth Fund. This will involve the creation of two separate grant funds.

### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Board is invited to note the Commissioner’s decision and request a future agenda item to provide a more detailed update on the operation both new grant funds.

### 3. Background

- 3.1 In 2016/17 the Cambridgeshire Community Foundation (“the Foundation”) managed a £40k Youth Fund on behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner. The aim of the fund was to engage young people up to the age of 18 in positive activities in their community to divert them away from criminal behaviour. The funding was raised from the sale of recovered and unclaimed property under the Police Property Act.
- 3.2 The Youth Fund has been in operation for 3 years and over which has awarded over £95k of separate grants to 50 different groups/organisations.

### 4. Proposed new arrangements

- 4.1 The Foundation have been offered £30k from the Civil Society / Big Lottery Fund to encourage social action (volunteering) from young people. This money is for a single year with a condition that the Foundation secure match funding to create a £60k fund. The Commissioner has agreed to match fund this grant pot for the financial year 2017/18. Management costs of £3k will be levied. The new fund will be called the “**Police and Crime Commissioner’s Local Youth Social Action Fund for Cambridgeshire**”. Groups from Cambridgeshire and Peterborough will be able to apply for grants.

- 4.2 The remaining monies will be retained by the Commissioner to create a **‘Youth and Community Fund’** which will be managed by the OPCC. This will improve pathways into funding for a wider range of community groups. This fund will focus on achieving objectives set out in the Police and Crime plan for 2017-20, with a focus on diverting young people from criminal activity and anti-social behaviour.
- 4.3 The OPCC are currently drafting Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Police and Crime Commissioner’s Youth and Communities Fund.

**5. Recommendation**

- 5.1 The Board is invited to note the Commissioner’s decision and request a future agenda item to provide a more detailed update on the operation both new grant funds.

**5.2 BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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