

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Notice of Decision



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For Decision or Information	Decision
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*to be inserted by Office of PCC

TITLE: Additional PCC Funded Work 2020/21

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The PCC is asked to confirm his verbal agreement to award funding for the following:

1. Real Talk TV – Up to £2,500 via the Chayah Project
2. The commissioning of four virtual focus groups across the force area to gather residents' views on the policing budget and resources, the precept for policing and attitudes towards police officer safety – Up to £5,900 to SMSR Research

This is a total of up to £8,400 which shall be met from within the 2020/21 Commissioning budget.

INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (e.g report or business case)

A proposal/application form for each of the above initiatives has been considered by the Commissioner as follows:

1. Real Talk TV is a new initiative which aims to give back people and the wider under represented community the opportunity to have their own platform to discuss real life, lived experiences and develop positive solutions to make an impact on change. Real Talk TV is working closely with the Chayah Project who will act as the accountable body for Real Talk TV. All the project activity is currently being undertaken online. PCC funding of up to £2,500 has been made available to cover the costs of equipment hire between 1st November 2020 and 31st March 2021.
2. Focus groups are required to obtain an informed view on attitudes towards the police budget and precept in accordance with his statutory duties. They provide an opportunity to explore resident attitudes in greater detail. A specification has been drawn up and a quote provided by SMSR Research to provide a series of four virtual focus groups between December 2020 and January 2021. This work will build upon research undertaken in previous years and supplement the Commissioner's Police and Crime survey which is administered on a rolling basis throughout the year. The four focus groups will explore:
 - Local priorities for policing in the context of recent and planned policing activity
 - The impact of the Coronavirus pandemic on crime and anti-social behaviour in the community, community cohesion and feelings of safety
 - Attitudes towards the local precept for policing and levels of support (or otherwise) for an increase in the precept for policing.

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION (please include if it is capital or revenue or both. What the split is and the totals being requested. Is this a virement/ something already budgeted for or something that requires additional funding. Are there any savings that can be offered up/or achieved)

The funding requested is revenue only up to a total of £8,400. The amount is available in the 2020/21 commissioning budget.

Signature:
Chief Finance Office

Date: 10th December 2020

Is any of the supporting information classified as non public or confidential information**?	Yes		No	X
If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**				

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OFFICER APPROVAL

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signature:
Chief Executive

Date: 22/12/20

DECLARATION:

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval.

Signature:
Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Date: 12/12/2020

** See guidance on non public information