Consideration	
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Report to:	**Strategic Resources**
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Report of:	**2017-8 Community Safety Fund**
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Community Safety Fund – 2017/18

1.	**Purpose of the Report**

1.1 To update Strategic Resources on funding awarded in the PCC's 2017-8 Community Safety Fund.

2.	**Recommendations**

2.1 To note the report.

3.	**Reasons for Recommendations**

3.1 The report is provided for information only.

4.	**Summary of Key Points (this should include background information and options appraisal if applicable)**

4.1 The PCC's 2017-18 Community Safety Fund provides grants to third sector community based organisations to enable local delivery against the Police & Crime Plan.

4.2 Up to £250,000 was available through the Community Safety Fund for individual grants of up to £25,000 to reduce crime and protect victims, witnesses and vulnerable people.

4.3 Fifty grant applications were received, requesting a total amount of funding of £750,518. Grants were assessed by two officers from NOPCC against a scored matrix evaluating the:

- evidence of need for the proposal;
- proposal's fit with the Commissioner's priority themes (see above);
- applicant organisation's experience of delivering similar work;
- delivery plan (considering approach, timescale, outputs and outcomes); and
- value for money.

4.4 Expert views were sought where appropriate (for example for hate crime applications). Applications were then considered by a panel which included

representatives from NOPCC, Nottingham Crime and Drugs Partnership, the Safer Nottinghamshire Board and a senior police officer.

4.5 The panel agreed the funding recommendations which were made to the PCC.

4.6 The PCC agreed to award grants to twenty-three organisations (please see attached list in Appendix A). Organisations were funded subject to meeting funding criteria. A total of £248,527 of funding was awarded.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

5.1 £250,000 for the Community Safety Fund was included within the PCC's 2017-18 commissioning budget.

6. Human Resources Implications

6.1 None.

7. Equality Implications

7.1 The Community Safety Fund actively requested applications for activity to improve support to groups with protected characteristics.

8. Risk Management

8.1 All applications are assessed to ensure that applicant organisations meet minimum criteria (for example, that they have financial controls and appropriate insurance and policies in place). In addition, delivery plans are assessed to ensure that they are realistic and deliverable.

9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities

9.1 Applications were particularly sought in the areas below. They were identified to meet needs highlighted in the Police and Crime Needs Assessment and to ensure fit with Police and Crime Plan objectives.

- Community led projects, working in partnership with Nottinghamshire Police, to facilitate positive relationships between BME and/or new and emerging communities and Nottinghamshire Police.
- Community led initiatives to promote community cohesion and tackle xenophobic and race-related hate crime.
- Pilot or other projects to meet a gap in support services for victims
- Community led initiatives to reduce noise and alcohol related anti-social behaviour.
- Community led initiatives to reduce rural crime, including using social media to share local intelligence.
- Targeted education and awareness raising initiatives with young people specifically in relation to new psychoactive substances and class A drugs.

- Community led projects to support improved mental health with young people, and reduce drugs and alcohol use.
- Community led early intervention and prevention of drugs and alcohol related anti-social behaviour.
- Education and awareness raising initiatives to support the prevention of digital and cyber-crime including fraud, computer misuse and on-line abuse.
- Community led initiatives in the city and conurbation to tackle knife crime. Initiatives must work closely with their local community safety partnership.
- Targeted early intervention and diversionary activity with people at risk of offending and/or anti-social behaviour.
- Projects working with offenders, particularly addressing the mental health needs of offenders.
- Develop and enable volunteering and active citizenship to build stronger communities.

10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations

10.1   None.

11. Details of outcome of consultation

11.1   None.

12. Appendices

12.1   Appendix A is attached.

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13. Background Papers (relevant for Police and Crime Panel Only)

13.   None.

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