**AGENDA ITEM** 



# STRATEGIC POLICING AND CRIME BOARD 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016

# Outcomes from the Community Safety Allocation 2015-16

# **Purpose of the Report**

- 1. To update members of the Board on the outcomes of the funding allocated to each of the seven Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) by the Commissioner.
- 2. Details of the Commissioner's decision regarding the allocation of funding from Police Main Grant can be found here: <a href="http://www.westmidlands-pcc.gov.uk/media/361499/wmpcc-002-2015-revenue-budget-precept-capital-budget-2015-16.pdf">http://www.westmidlands-pcc.gov.uk/media/361499/wmpcc-002-2015-revenue-budget-precept-capital-budget-2015-16.pdf</a>

#### **Background**

3. The allocation that is passported to Local Police and Crime Boards forms part of the Commissioners Police Main Grant.

## **Levels of Funding**

- 4. The total allocation of grant to the Local Police and Crime Boards in the West Midlands for the financial year 2015-16 was £5,151,077.
- 5. Attached at Annex 1 and 2 is a breakdown of the outcome and financial reporting that the OPCC has received from the 7 Local Police and Crime Boards.
- 6. Local Police and Crime Plans form the basis for activity in the local areas, and is the framework for local delivery of the Commissioners Police and Crime Plan.
- 7. The financial breakdown at Annex 1 details the areas of activity that were allocated funding by the Boards, and the performance information at Annex 2 details the outcomes that the projects have achieved. The OPCC has detailed those activities that are performing really well, and also areas where there are still some gaps in reporting.

- 8. The reporting templates that have been developed by the OPCC gives us a clearer indication of how funding has been spent and the outcomes attached to activity. Each of the activities are a response to the local issues that have been identified through the Local Police and Crime Plan which is developed from the strategic assessement and through consultation with local people. The Commissioners Police and Crime Plan reflects the local priorities that are identified. The inclusion of more focussed outcome reporting has been a major shift away from the previous monitoring regime.
- 9. The Commissioner expects Local Police and Crime Boards to be able to evidence activity and how the funding has made a difference in their local authority areas. Annex 1 gives us an excellent picture of how the funding has been spent and the activities that have been supported, however it does not tell us the impact of an activity or what benefits have been derived locally for the communities of the West Midlands. It is clear that the funding has been allocated in order to respond to local issues identified and we are working with Heads of Community Safety to identify how they evidence the impact that the funding is having across the Force area.

# **Financial Implications**

10. The total allocation of grant for 2015-16 was £5,151,077. Carry forward requests are approved on condition that the funding is spent in accordance with the initial outcomes that the budget was allocated for.

#### **Legal Implications**

11. Schedule 9 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides Commissioners with the powers to award crime and disorder grants to any organisations and projects they consider will help them achieve their crime prevention and wider priorities.

#### Recommendations

12. The Board is asked to note the contents of the report.

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