

**WEST MIDLANDS POLICE
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COMMISSIONER**

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NOTICE OF DECISION

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Title: Community Initiative Fund – October assessment process

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To consider applications from community based organisations based in the West Midlands seeking financial support from the Community Initiatives Fund in 2013-14.

DECISION

That grants be made from the Community Initiatives Fund in 2013-14 to the community based organisations set out in Appendix 1 towards the projects indicated.

West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner

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

Signature.....Bob Jones.....

Date.....6 November 2013.....

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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The purpose of the Community Initiatives Fund is to provide financial assistance to community based initiatives in the West Midlands. These initiatives should contribute towards the objectives in the Police and Crime Commissioners Police and Crime Plan or local policing plans by addressing issues such as anti social behaviour through the provision of diversionary activities. The principal aim of the Fund is to provide small grants to help projects succeed, and encourage community contact with local neighbourhood officers to increase trust and confidence and reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Community Initiative Fund allocation for 2013-14 is £25,000.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 Schedule 1, Section 1 14 (1) provides that a Police and Crime Commissioner may do anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the exercise of the functions of commissioner.

EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

Each year, the Police and Crime Commissioner will allocate a theme to the Community Initiative Fund. The Fund is intended to assist in promoting equalities by targeting disadvantaged or hard to reach groups that may face inequality. It is also intended to support small community and voluntary groups that normally would not access funding through mainstream channels.

Schedule of Background Papers

The applications are available.

Public Access to Information

Information contained in this decision is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation. This decision will be made available on the Commissioner's website.

APPENDIX 1: Community Initiative Fund Applications 2013 -14 Assessment Panel

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	Name and Address of Project	Project Objectives	Amount of Grant Approved
	Birmingham		
1	Hall Green & Smiths Wood Child Contact Centres	Provides supported family contact sessions in safe and impartial environment. Provision, development and hosting of websites	£750
2	Safe Carers Handsworth Carers Project 113 Lozells Street Birmingham B19 2AP	Encourage social cohesion and understanding of people living with disability. Delivery of workshops and forums to discuss issues related to disability hate crime incidents	£500
3	Old Mill Association 5 Shooters Close Edgbaston Birmingham B5 7LN	Encourage social cohesion through a Community Safety event. Provision of refreshments and other non-sustainable equipment	£400
4	Birmingham Chinese Society 11 Allcock Street Digbeth Birmingham B9 4DY	Encourage social and community cohesion through community safety sessions. Provision of equipment for a volunteer community support scheme	£750
5	United Youth Club 238 Dower Road Mere Green Birmingham B75 6SY	Funding would assist with the foundation of a crime diversion drop in centre Provision of equipment.	£375
6	OC United Football Club 912b Alum Rock Road Birmingham B8 2LU	Start up youth diversion project Provision of facility hire	£500
7	Second Chance 69 Handsworth Wood Road Handsworth Wood Birmingham B20 2DH	Youth community safety workshop with Bham YOT Provision of workshop development, refreshments and materials	£750

8	Cannon Street Memorial Baptist Church Youth Club 300 Soho Road Handsworth Birmingham B21 9NA	Youth diversion/Community Safety project Provision of equipment to start project.	£500
9	Be Aware Initiative Digbeth Neighbourhood Team Digbeth Police station	Community Safety and reassurance project Provision of crime prevention equipment	£538.50
	Coventry		
10	On Target Youth Centre Doe Bank Lane Spon End Coventry	Youth Diversion project based at youth centre Provision of equipment for specific Sport and healthy eating project	£745.36
	Dudley		
11	The Advatonians Marching Jazzband Queensway Wollescote, Stourbridge DY9 9HD	Youth Diversion Scheme Provision of equipment	£500
12	Lye Town Football Club Lye Stourbridge	Youth Diversion Scheme Provision of kit and equipment	£750
13	Dudley Against Hate Crime 10 Elwell Crescent Dudley DY1 3RL	Encourage social cohesion and understanding of people living with disability. Delivery of workshops and forums to discuss issues related to disability hate crime incidents	£750
14	Gornal Teen X factor Dudley Library St James's Road Dudley DY1 1HR	Youth diversion/community safety project Provision of workshops for young people	£750
15	Stourbridge Street Pastors 20 Wollescote Road Stourbridge	Community safety and reassurance project Provision of a 12 month radio link	£350

16	St John's Youth Project 5 Leys Road Brockmoor Dudley DY5 3UR	Youth diversion project Provision of equipment and stock together with subsidy for outdoor activities	£750
	Sandwell		
17	Security Maintenance Fund – Blackheath Town Centre Unit 2, Blackheath Market, 65 Birmingham Road, Blackheath B65 0HS	Community safety project Provision of running costs for already established project	£400
	Walsall		
18	'The Friends around the Lea' Residents Group 14 Hardy Road Goscote Walsall WS3 1JY	Community safety & reassurance project Provision of equipment, printing for community reassurance leaflet for one year and hire costs for meeting venue.	£449
	Wolverhampton		
19	Young Peoples Financial Support Wednesfield Community Team Football Club	Youth Diversion Project aimed at disadvantaged youths Financial support for football club	£400
20	Stratton Street Community Project Community Centre Nine Elms Lane Park Village Wolverhampton	Community safety project Provision of gates & fencing to community centre	£750