



# OFFICE OF THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR NORFOLK

**ORIGINATOR:** Chief Executive

**DECISION NO.** 2014/48

**REASON FOR SUBMISSION:** For Decision

**SUBMITTED TO:** Police and Crime Commissioner

**SUBJECT:**

Substance Misuse and Alcohol Fund

**SUMMARY:**

In August 2014, the PCC established the Substance Misuse and Alcohol Fund from the PCC's wider commissioning budget.

The Fund aims to support those voluntary sector and community-based organisations that provide support to Norfolk residents affected by problematic drug and alcohol use and those working to reduce the impact of substance misuse and alcohol related harm on the wider community.

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There was scope for continued funding to a maximum of three years, however short term bids were encouraged. Offers for three-year funding would be in-principle, and subject to satisfactory monitoring which would be reviewed at the end of each year. Where relevant bids were for multi-year funding organisations needed to include plans to sustain the activity going forward.

- A total of 24 bids for funding were received.
- On 30<sup>th</sup> October 2014, the Substance Misuse and Alcohol Panel met to review each application against the PCC's priorities.
- The funding pot was originally set at £200,000.
- Due to the exceptional standard of applications, the Panel recommended the PCC to fund more organisations in excess of the original funding pot, that met his Priorities.
- This will require an increase of £29,548.50 in funding to enable a total of £229,548.50 to be allocated to 13 groups.

A breakdown of the funds allocated and which organisations received them is set out in Appendix 1.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the PCC endorse the allocation of funds of £229,548.50 to 13 organisations, as recommended by the Substance Misuse and Alcohol Panel of the Safer Norfolk Foundation Medium Grant Programme.

**OUTCOME/APPROVAL BY: PCC**

The recommendations as outlined above are approved.

Signature

*N. W. Bett*

Date *15/12/14.*

## **DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION**

### **1. KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:**

1.1 Section 9 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 sets out that a Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) may make a Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant to any person. A Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant is a grant which in the opinion of the PCC, will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in the PCC's Local Policing Area. The PCC may make the Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant, subject to any conditions, which the PCC thinks appropriate. The PCC's Crime and Disorder Reduction Objectives are set out within the Police and Crime Plan.

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1.3 A total of 24 bids for funding were received and on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2014, the Substance Misuse and Alcohol Panel met to review each application against the PCC's priorities. The Panel comprised:

- Jenny McKibben, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, OPCCN
- Emma Hutchinson, Mental Health, Drugs and Alcohol Co-ordinator, OPCCN
- Nick Dean, T/Assistant Chief Constable, Norfolk Constabulary
- Fiona Lomax, Joint Commissioning Officer (Drugs and Alcohol Action Team), Public Health
- Amanda Hedley, Chief Executive, Norwich and Central Norfolk MIND
- Mitchell Martin, Service User Representative.

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### **2. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

2.1 The bids received during the first round were very strong and as a result of this, the initial £200,000 funding pot was increased to £229,548.50. The additional funding can be met from the Commissioning budget.

### 3. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS:

3.1 None.

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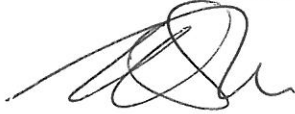
<b>ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)</b>	<b>PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'</b>
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	Yes
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	Yes
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	Yes
Have human resource implications been considered?	Yes
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	Yes
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	No
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	Yes
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	Yes

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO THE DECISION-MAKER** (this approval is required only for submissions to PCC and DPCC).

**Chief Executive**

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

**Signature:**

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**Date**

4.12.14

**Safer Norfolk Foundation Medium Grant Programme –  
£200k Drugs & Alcohol Fund**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Local Authority</b>	<b>Project Area</b>	<b>Project Description - Summary</b>	<b>Amount awarded</b>
Action for Change	Norwich & Great Yarmouth	Norwich & Great Yarmouth	To pilot a new mobile phone app with target groups in Norwich and Great Yarmouth.	£9,000.00
Aylsham & District Care Trust	Broadland	Aylsham	To provide a weekly drop in for young people to engage in positive activities and access guidance and advice on substance misuse and other issues of concern to them.	£9,550.00
Benjamin Foundation	Norfolk	Norfolk	To pilot a new service for young people aged 16–25 who have a history of substance misuse and are making the transition from supported accommodation to independent living.	£37,997.00
Claydon Pavilion Community Association	Great Yarmouth	Great Yarmouth	To recruit two youth workers who will deliver preventative detached work on the common over two evening per week for 12 months.	£16,302.00
GYROS	Great Yarmouth	Great Yarmouth	To offer local drug and alcohol services interpretation, translation and one-to-one opportunities to reach BME communities; to increase activity to identify substance misuse issues and refer for specialist support; to run quarterly workshops for BME communities on substance misuse, UK norms and legislation.	£11,260.00

Herring House Trust	Great Yarmouth	Great Yarmouth	To provide a direct pathway from street homelessness through to dependency treatment within the High Support Unit.	£22,979.00
LEAP East CIC	Norwich	Norwich	A one-year request to appoint a project manager to lead the delivery and development of The Feed and associated training programme.	£27,665.00
Mancroft Advice Project (MAP)	Norwich	Norwich & Great Yarmouth	A two year project focused on delivering support to young people and raising awareness of legal highs.	£15,743.00
Matthew Project	Norwich	Norfolk	To embed a new drugs and alcohol practitioner in the Police Control Centre to provide front-line advice and guidance.	£9,000.00
North Lynn Discovery Ltd	King's Lynn and West Norfolk	North Lynn	To provide an Activities Tutor post to provide specific support for young people presenting to the Discovery Centre drop-in with substance misuse issues.	£20,000.00
St Martins Housing Trust	Norwich	Norwich	To engage service users with substance misuse issues in activities based around their well-being and life skills.	£30,462.50
The Vauxhall Centre Angling Project	Norwich	Norwich	To support operational and development costs of the angling group.	£500.00
West Norfolk Mind	King's Lynn and West Norfolk	West Norfolk	A two-year project to build resilience in vulnerable individuals, targeting those at increased risk of social isolation and mental health distress due to their alcohol or substance misuse.	£19,090.00

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