

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER (PCC) FOR LINCOLNSHIRE
REQUEST FOR DECISION**

REF: 030/2020
DATE: 29 January 2021

SUBJECT	POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT AWARDS FOR 2020/21
REPORT BY	CHIEF EXECUTIVE
CONTACT OFFICER	Joanne Davison, Partnership and Delivery Manager Telephone 01522 947406
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT To approve grants funded from the Proceeds of Crime Act Asset Recovery Incentivisation Scheme (ARIS) which will contribute to asset recovery performance, crime reduction and harm reduction.	
RECOMMENDATION	That the proposed grants as outlined in Appendix A along with a corresponding release of funds from the Proceeds of Crime Act earmarked reserve be approved.

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this report.

Signature:  **Date: 29 January 2021**

A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC

A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA) is a wide ranging Act aiming to take the profit out of criminality. A part of the act gives power to the police and other public bodies to confiscate assets and cash from individuals who are convicted of offences or who, on the balance of probability, have benefited from their illegal activities.
2. The Asset Recovery Incentivisation Scheme (ARIS) was set up in 2006. The Scheme is a mechanism for returning to law enforcement agencies a proportion of the assets they recover. The objective of the scheme is to provide law enforcement agencies with incentives to boost asset recovery as a contribution to reducing crime and

delivering justice by giving them a direct stake in the proceeds they generate from that work.

3. Although primarily aimed at driving up asset recovery performance, the money returned is not ring-fenced and can be used for a number of purposes in the context of reducing crime and reducing harm; including community project funding.
4. ARIS funding can be used as the sole source of funding for projects/initiatives, or can be combined with other funding sources available to the PCC to maximise outcomes.
5. The Police and Crime Commissioner has undertaken discussions with partners regarding the use of funding to drive up asset recovery performance and support the delivery of the strategic aims and priorities set out within the Community Safety, Policing and Criminal Justice Plan for Lincolnshire 2017-2021. Proposals resulting from those discussions are set out in Appendix A.

A2. LINKS TO POLICE AND CRIME PLAN AND PCC'S STRATEGIES/PRIORITIES

These grants will help to deliver the strategic aims and priorities set out in the key principles of the Community Safety, Policing and Criminal Justice Plan for Lincolnshire 2017-2021. These are: Community Safety and prevention in partnership; Listening, responding and being accountable; Protecting and supporting victims and the vulnerable; Policing that works.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Provision for the proposals set out in Appendix A to the report is in the POCA reserve, the balance as at 31 March 2020 was £397k. It is proposed that funds are released from the Proceeds of Crime Act earmarked reserve to the revenue account to cover the proposed grants.

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

[This should include the legal powers the PCC has for making the decision]

Section 143 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 provides Police and Crime Commissioners with powers to provide or commission services. Within the meaning of this section, a PCC may provide or arrange for the provision of:

- (a) services that in the opinion of the PCC will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in the PCC's area
- (b) services that are intended by the PCC to help victims or witnesses of, or other persons affected by, offences and anti-social behaviour
- (c) services of a description specified in an order made by the Secretary of State.

A PCC arranging for the provision of services under this section may make grants in connection with the arrangements. A grant may be subject to any conditions (including conditions as to repayment) that the PCC thinks appropriate. For the

purposes of the legislative provision “anti-social behaviour” means behaviour by a person that causes or is likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more other persons not of the same household as that person; “crime and disorder reduction” means reduction in levels of:

- (a) crime and disorder (including anti-social behaviour and other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment),
- (b) the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances, and
- (c) re-offending.

D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES

[This should include a copy of the Equality Impact Assessment, if required]

None specific.

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

Review and evaluation arrangements will be put in place to assess whether intended outcomes have been achieved.

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

Through the review and evaluation arrangements as necessary.

H. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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<p>Is there a part 2 form? No</p> <p>If Yes, for what reason:</p>

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION

	Initial to confirm
Originating Officer recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above.	JD
Financial advice: The PCC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	JF
Monitoring Officer: The PCC's Monitoring Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	MB

OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. Consultation outlined above has also taken place. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire.

Signature:



Date: 26 January 2021

APPENDIX A

COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT AWARDS FOR 2020/21

Grant recipient	Purpose	Amount
Boston Bike Safety	To purchase 20x USB charging lights	£300
Lincoln Breakfast Club	To provide support for school breakfast clubs in Lincoln & Gainsborough	£500
TrueCall	100 TrueCall Secure+ units with 3 years control panel & warranty, 12 months monitoring and a training session	£11,999 +VAT
Louth Dogs	2x personal kit, 12x maps, 10x GPS subscription	£1527.88
Total		£14,326.88