Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Lincolnshire Request for Decision

Ref:	08-2024
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Subject	Police and Crime Commissioner's Commissioning Strategy and Plan for 2024/25	
Report by:	Director of Strategy and Operations	
Contact Officer:	Joanne Davison, Director of Strategy and Operations	
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Executive summary and purpose of report:		
The purpose of this report is to present the Commissioning Strategy and Plan which has been updated for 2024/25. The proposals will support delivery of the Police and Crime Plan.		
 Recommendation: 1. That the Commissioning Strategy be approved. 2. That the funding proposals within the Commissioning Plan at Appendix 3 of the Strategy be approved. 		

Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire	
I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this rep	ort.
Signature: Date: 27 March 2024	

a. Non-confidential facts and advice to the PCC

a1. Introduction and background

- 1.1 Police and Crime Commissioners were elected across England and Wales in November 2012 in line with the introduction of the Police and Social Reform Act 2011. Replacing Police Authorities, Police and Crime Commissioners have significantly wider responsibilities that include commissioning services and awarding grants to support delivery of the priorities in accordance with their Police and Crime Plan.
- 1.2 The Commissioning Strategy and Plan 2024/25 at Appendix A sets out the principles and framework that will be used in Lincolnshire to commission services. The

documents and processes will ensure that all commissioning decisions will be undertaken fairly, openly and transparently, are supported by evidence and provide value for money.

- 1.3 The aims of the Commissioning Strategy are to:
 - Set out the vision and direction for commissioning activity
 - Provide clarity around what we mean by commissioning
 - Define the basic principles which should support all commissioning decisions
 - Identify the key outcomes required to make the OPCC an effective commissioner and client
 - Set out how the OPCC proposes to achieve the intended outcomes
- 1.4 Included as an appendix to the Strategy is the 2024/25 Commissioning Plan. The Police and Crime Commissioner has undertaken discussions with partners regarding the use of funding to support the delivery of the strategic aims and priorities set out within the Community Safety, Policing and Criminal Justice Plan for Lincolnshire 2021-2025. Proposals resulting from those discussions are set out in the Commissioning Plan at Appendix C.

a2. Links to Police and Crime Plan and PCC's strategies/priorities

This commissioning strategy and plan 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 2021-2025. 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 the Commissioning Plan was made in the revenue budget for 2024/25 (Decision Note ref 04/2024) which was approved on 22nd February 2024.

c. Legal and human rights considerations

Section 9 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides Police and Crime Commissioners with the powers to award crime and disorder grants to any organisations and projects which, in the opinion of the PCC, will secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction in the police area.

In addition, 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

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.

g. Public access to information

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Is there a Part 2 form?	No
If yes, for what reason?	

Declarations

Originating Officer:	Initial to confirm
Joanne Davison recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above	JD

The following people have been consulted on this proposal:	
The CC's Head of Finance (Deputy S151 Officer)	МК
The A/Chief Constable	JD
The PCC's Chief Finance Officer	JF
The PCC's Monitoring Officer	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.

Uhr M Signature:

Date: 27 March 2024

Appendix A – PCC Commissioning Strategy and Plan 2024/25

