

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF CABINET MEMBER – HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES**

**07 June 2018**

Report of the Strategic Director – Commissioning, Communities and Policy

**COMMUNITY SAFETY FUNDING**

(1) **Purpose of Report** To seek Cabinet Member approval to contribute funding towards the following community safety activities for the financial years 2018/19 and 2019/20: £62,824 per annum towards the salaries of eight Derbyshire district and borough Community Safety Officers, (£7,853 per district and borough, per annum); £30,000 per annum towards the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) Administration; £35,040 per annum towards the Safer Derbyshire Research and Information Team (SDRI); £5,000 per annum towards the provision of awareness raising and pre-National Referral Mechanism (pre-NRM) support, advice and short term accommodation.

(2) **Information and Analysis**

Derbyshire County Council has historically committed funding towards a number of community safety partnership posts across the county.

These posts are jointly funded and employed through our statutory partners;

- The eight Community Safety Officers are employed by the district and borough councils and are funded by Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Police and the district/borough councils. The role of the Community Safety Officers is to develop and deliver key objectives within their local partnership plan and they are the operational lead for reducing crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour.
- The MARAC Administration Officer is employed by Derbyshire Police and jointly funded by Derbyshire Police, Derby City Council and Southern Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group. The post manages the administration relating to the revised MARACs across Derbyshire. A MARAC is a meeting where information is shared on the highest risk domestic abuse cases between representatives of local police, probation, health, child protection, housing practitioners, Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs).
- The SDRI Team are employed by Derbyshire Police. These posts are funded by Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Police and the eight district/borough councils. The role of SDRI is to provide research and

analysis for the key strands of crime and disorder, providing direction for the annual risk and threat process, setting strategic priorities and delivering initiatives to reduce crime and disorder. This information is provided at a county level and district and borough level.

The Derby and Derbyshire Modern Slavery Partnership strives to reduce overall vulnerability to modern slavery, through protecting vulnerable people, raising awareness and resilience and improving victim identification and support. Funding is sought for the “Your Space” Pre-NRM project which will provide support, advice and short term accommodation (max 3 night) for victims of modern slavery and exploitation and will be delivered by the relevant provider. Further activities include the development and delivery of awareness raising/ publicity initiatives. This service is jointly funded with Derby City Council who lead on the procurement of the service.

(3) **Financial Considerations** The identified costs can be met from within the Community Safety budget.

(4) **Legal Considerations** By providing funding to the eight district and borough Councils in Derbyshire and Derbyshire Police they will not be contractually obliged to deliver any particular services although the Council may be able to claw back funding if it is unspent or misapplied.

(5) **Social Value Considerations** The funding provided will support Derbyshire County Council and community safety partners to fulfil their statutory duty and enhance existing provision.

(6) **Other Considerations** In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, environmental, health, property and transport considerations.

(7) **Key Decision** No.

(8) **Call-In** Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

(9) **Background Papers** Held on file within the Commissioning, Communities and Policy Department. Officer contact details – Michelle Collins, extension 38951.

(10) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION** That the Cabinet Member approves:

1. £125,648 for two years funding (2018/19, 2019/20) towards the salaries of eight Derbyshire district and borough Community Safety Officers, (£7,853 per district and borough per annum).
2. £60,000 for two years funding (2018/19, 2019/20) towards MARAC Administration
3. £70,080 for two years funding (2018/19, 2019/20) towards the SDRI Team.
4. £10,000 for two years funding (2018/19, 2019/20) towards the provision of awareness raising and Pre-NRM support, advice and short term accommodation.

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