



OFFICE OF THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR THAMES VALLEY

PCC DECISION REPORT - SECTION A - SUMMARY

Report for Decision

Report Reference Number:	PCC 2024 / 022
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Report Title: Community Fund grant awards October 2024

Executive Summary:

The Community Fund (previously called the Police Property Act Fund) is created from the proceeds of sale of goods recovered by the police that cannot be returned to their original owner. In accordance with the Police Property Act Regulations (1997) all awards from the fund must be for charitable purposes.

The latest round of this funding launched on 19th August 2024 with £200,000 allocated to the pot. It closed on 9th September and received 188 applications, totaling approximately £1.4m. An evaluation panel of three members of staff from the OPCC, and the PCC, sat to review all applications.

Due diligence checks were made, as needed, and the list proposed to the Chief Constable who offered his input and approved the final shortlist. The recommendations were then approved by the PCC, and award letters (and unsuccessful letters) were sent out by email on 11th October 2024.

In total, the grant awards will support 43 organisations with total funding of £200,551.62.

The funding awarded is for the purpose outlined in the submitted bids; those organisations who were successful in this round will be required to submit information about how the grant was spent and the outcomes achieved. Consideration for any future grant eligibility will be only provided if acceptable reports have been received. If the funding has not been spent within 12 calendar months of the grant, the PCC reserves the right to request the funding be returned.

Community Fund Grant Awards – October 2024	
Organisation Name	Amount
A Band of Brothers	£4,000
ACT Oxford (Aldates Community Transformation Initiatives)	£3,000
Aylesbury Homeless Action Group	£7,000
Aylesbury Women's Centre	£5,000
Banbury mosque Green Dome trust	£5,000
Berkshire Women's Aid	£7,000
Bicester Vision Community Interest Company	£7,000
BYHP (Supporting Young People in Housing Need)	£7,000
Chapter2	£5,000
Cheney School	£4,000
Citizen Aid Jay Fathers trauma kits	£1,000
Clear Sky Children's Charity	£4,000
Didcot TRAIN - Inspiring Young People	£3,980
Edge Housing (part of Oxfordshire Community Churches)	£5,000
Elizabeth Fry charity	£6,500
Farnham Royal Parish Council	£5,000
Farnham Royal Parish Council	£2,000
Henley-on-Thames Town Council	£1,362
Jealott's Hill Community Landshare CIC	£3,000
Kaleidoscopic UK	£7,000
KidsOut UK	£4,000
Kingdom Power International Ministries	£4,000
Leys CDI (Community Development Initiative)	£7,000
Littlemore Parish Council	£5,000
Number 22 Community Counselling Service (legal name Windsor and Maidenhead Youth and Community Counselling Service)	£3,000
Oxford Winter Night Shelter (OWNS)	7,000
Oxfordshire Community and Voluntary Action (OCVA)	£3,000
Oxfordshire Motor Project	£7,000
People's Theatre Collective (formally Cherwell Theatre Company)	£5,000
Sassify Zine CIC	£549.62
Soha housing association	£3,000
Somali Outreach Project	£7,000
Suzy Lamplugh Trust	£5,000
Talkback UK Limited	£6,160
The Cowshed	£7,000
The Hardman Trust	6,000
The Sweatbox Youth Centre, c/o King Alfred's Academy, Vale Academy Trust (from 1st October 2024 Vale Academy Trust will become Cambrian Learning Trust)	£7,000
Tingewick Village Hall	£1,500
West Oxfordshire Levellers RL	£500
Winslow Assoc for Business and Community	£7,000
Wolvercote young people's club LTD	£1,000

Young People and Children First now trading as Bridge for Young People	£7,000	
Youth Concern	£4,000	
	£200,551.62	

Recommendations:

1. To approve the above grant proposals for this round of the Community Fund

Decision of Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the recommendation(s) above.

Signature:



Date: 10/10/2024

GOVERNANCE CHECKS (Name & Role)	Officer Signature
Originating Officer / Head of Unit Helen Wake (Director Service delivery)	<i>Helen Wake</i>
Legal Advice Vicki Waskett (Head of Governance & Compliance)	
Financial Advice Martin Thornley (Chief Finance Officer & Dep. Chief Executive)	<i>Martin Thornley</i>
Equalities and Diversity Gillian Ormston (Chief Executive)	<i>Gillian Ormston</i>

PCC's STATUTORY CHIEF OFFICERS' APPROVAL

We have been consulted about the proposal(s) contained in this Decision Report and confirm that financial and legal advice have been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

We are satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for decision.

Chief Executive (Monitoring Officer)

Date: 09/10/24

Gillian Ormston

Martin Thornley

Chief Finance Officer

Date: 9/10/2024