

## Decision Record Template



Date of Decision: 27/03/2026

Lead Officer: Sharan Dhillon

Decision Record URN: EXE0008-26

Title: **VAWG Community Grant Round 3**

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### Decision summary:

Funding for community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package, £1000.00 to each organisation selected for this programme. The funding is intended to reimburse organisations for the time spent on training, implementing the programmes into their curriculum, delivering the programme, and participating in a network of trainers that will support the ongoing sustainability of the initiative.

Round 3 opened for applications on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026 and closed on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026. 7 applications were submitted during this time.

Sharan Dhillon – Violence Against Women and Girls Programme Lead evaluated the applications from the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.

7 applications were approved.

Upon review, the PCC approved to fund 7 bids in this round. This equates to a funding commitment of **£7000.00**

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**Decision Sought: Approval of all successful applications listed below**

Organisation	Name of project	Project brief	Priority area	Amount of funding
Jalaram Bal Vikas Ltd	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	West Leicester	£1000.00
Inspire Young People & Families CIC	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	Loughborough	£1000.00
Root-and-Branch Out CIC	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	Rutland	£1000.00
After18	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	Leicester, Leicestershire	£1000.00
The Braunstone Foundation (ta b-inspired)	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	West Leicester	£1000.00
Family Action	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland	£1000.00
Warning Zone	VAWG Community Grant Round 3	Community organisations within the LLR region to implement a specialised sexual violence prevention educational package.	Leicester	£1000.00

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## **Supporting information**

### **1) Background information**

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## **2) Detail of additional information attached.**

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The pass threshold for this round was 50%. All applicants scored above this threshold.

## **3) Expected benefits.**

Approving all 7 successful applications for this grant round is expected to create significant community benefits, including enhanced awareness and prevention of sexual violence among young people across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. Each organisation will be equipped with the specialised tools, training, and resources to educate and empower young people aged 10-19 years old, fostering safer environments and promoting healthy relationships. By investing in these 7 organisations, the initiative will extend its reach and impact, building local expertise in addressing sensitive issues, including those affecting young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). This collaborative approach is anticipated to have a lasting effect on community resilience and contribute to a proactive stance against violence.

## **4) Impact of not approving the application**

Not approving the 7 organisations would limit the reach of vital sexual violence prevention efforts, leaving young people across LLR without access to essential education on safety, consent, and healthy relationships. Without approving this funding, the opportunity to build local expertise and provide specialised support, particularly for young people with special educational needs and disabilities, would be lost, potentially leading to gaps in community protection and a reduced capacity to prevent violence effectively.

## **5) Financial implications (including any cost savings)**

N/A - all funding comes from the OPCC VAWG funding (training budget) which has to be spent by March 2026.

## **6) Consultations**

Consultation with VRN around working directly with community organisations for the Safer Streets round 5 funding as it would deliver the most impact around sexual violence prevention. This has also been discussed in steering groups and with the wider partnership, with SPB Exec being on board and backing this initiative. 23 organisations currently run the educational packages, after being awarded in round 1 & 2. We have received great feedback and demand from other community organisations which is why we ran round 3.

Consultations within the OPCC and VRN have happened to highlight community organisations in priority areas and working directly with the targeted age groups. All 7 applications have highlighted a priority need for this initiative. Siobhan Peters has also been consulted throughout the VAWG community grant process and round.

7) **Collaboration** (is there an opportunity to collaborate with partners)

Collaborating with these organisations will expand local expertise, strengthen community safety, and enhance violence prevention efforts for young people. Collaboration opportunities available with partners.

8) **Equality, Diversity & Human Rights implications**

N/A – all 7 organisations have a safeguarding policy in place as well as established policies on equality, diversity, and human rights, ensuring that program delivery is inclusive, respectful, and accessible to all young people, regardless of background or ability.

9) **Legal comments**

All participating organisations must comply with safeguarding laws, data protection (GDPR) regulations, and equality legislation, ensuring secure, lawful, and inclusive service delivery.

10) **Publication**

**To be completed**

It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner: Yes

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the supporting papers: Yes

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire: Yes

**Reasons for any non-Publication (referencing appropriate legislation):**

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**Chief Finance Officer:**

**Comments:** Approved

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report and assurances sought have been outlined within the report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

**Signature:**

**Name:**

**Date: 26/03/2026**

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**Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer:**

**Comments:** Approved

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that legal and equalities advice have been taken into account in the preparation of this report and assurances sought have been outlined in this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

**Signature**

**Name**

**Date 27/03/2026**

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**Police and Crime Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire:**

Having received the advice set out above and reviewed relevant documentation my decision in regard of this matter is:

**Approved / Not Approved**

I confirm that my register of interests' declaration is up to date and that none of my interests preclude me from making this decision.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

**Name of Police and Crime Commissioner:**