

## Decision Record Template



Date of Decision:

Lead Officer: Rebecca Lee

Decision Record URN: EXE0016-26

Title: Community Action Fund – Violence and Vulnerability Round

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### Decision summary:

This decision relates to the **Violence and Vulnerability** round of funding of the 2025 - 2026 financial year, ring fenced for the Community Action Fund.

This funding round opened on **01/12/2025** and closed on **19/02/2026**.

**77** applications were submitted during this time and scored as per the eligibility and scoring criteria.

For this round it was decided that applications scoring 38 and above would be awarded funding, providing all criteria is met. In this round, that resulted in **18 bids being recommended**.

Upon review, 18 bids were approved to be awarded funding which equates to **£153,871.44**

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### Decision Sought:

<u>Organisation Name</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount Awarded</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Summary</u>
Atlas Amateur Boxing Club	Boxing Mentoring	£10,000	Spinney Hill	The project will deliver a 12-month Boxing Mentoring Project for young people aged 8–25 from Spinney Hills and neighboring areas who are at risk of offending, anti-social behaviour, exclusion and exploitation. The programme combines weekly 1:1 boxing skills training with structured personal development mentoring.

BWB The Collective CIC	Reclaiming Safety: Safer Bodies   Safer Boundaries	£9,475.87	Leicestershire	This project will deliver a short preventative programme supporting women in Leicestershire who remain vulnerable after experiences of abuse, coercive control or intimidation. Participants will take part in weekly personal-safety skills sessions and structured confidence-building activities designed to improve awareness, boundaries, emotional regulation and feelings of safety in daily life.
Everyone's Invited	Leicestershire Violence Prevention Programme	£10,000	Leicestershire	This project will deliver a tailored violence-prevention programme in Leicestershire schools, providing student sessions and staff training to increase understanding of gender, consent, and healthy relationships. It will equip young people to recognise harmful behaviours and seek support, while helping schools respond effectively to concerns.
Go-Getta CIC	Youth Voice Ambassadors Network (The Teenage Relationship Abuse Project)	£10,000	Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland	This project will expand the Youth Voice Ambassadors Network to 21 young people across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, empowering them to raise awareness of teenage relationship abuse through creative youth-led projects. Ambassadors will develop leadership, communication and confidence, contribute to local and national conversations, and share their insights at a final youth-led showcase for frontline professionals.
Leicester Adopters and Foster Carers Support Group	Bounce Together, Stay Afloat	£10,000	Leicestershire	This project will continue the monthly Bounce Together sessions for care-experienced families, providing children and carers with a safe, supportive and inclusive community space. In addition, the project will deliver five respite activity days at Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre, offering enriching experiences for children and valuable respite for carers.
LMA Academy (LMA Youth and Community Development)	Boys Youth Club 3	£10,000	Spinney Hill & Leicester	Boys Youth Club 3 provides a free, evening session for boys aged 12–18 in Highfields, offering a safe alternative during peak hours for youth anti-social behaviour. The project combines supervised combat-sport training, recreational activities and free refreshments with consistent mentoring and early-intervention support.
Love4Life Twenty Twenty	Love4Life – Leicestershire Community Groups	£5,502.75	Eyres Monsell, Knighton, Syston and Coalville	This project will deliver weekly after-school group sessions for vulnerable girls across four Leicestershire communities. Over 12 months, sessions will provide structured emotional and social support through arts-based activities, guided discussions and mentoring.
Measham Parish Council	Measham High Street and Peggs	£7,320	Measham	This project will extend Measham's public-space CCTV network by installing a high-definition,

	Close CCTV Extension			relocatable camera covering Measham High Street and Peggs Close Car Park, integrating with the existing system at Bosworth Road Recreation Ground. The extension will enhance deterrence, support early intervention, and improve evidence gathering in areas affected by anti-social behaviour, vehicle crime and intimidation.
NEU Community Wellbeing	NEU Pathways: Lived Experience Monitoring & Next Move Roadmap (Street to Strength)	£10,000	Leicestershire	This project will deliver a targeted 12-month early-intervention programme for vulnerable young people aged 11–16 who are at risk of exclusion, offending or exploitation. NEU Community Wellbeing CIC will run three short-term cohorts providing weekly wellbeing sessions and individual mentoring, focusing on emotional regulation, identity, decision-making and healthy relationships.
Pistols Boxing Academy	Knives Down, Gloves Up, Respect.	£9,996	Leicester & Leicestershire	This project will deliver a 48-week boxing and life-coaching programme for vulnerable young people aged 14–21 who are at elevated risk of involvement in knife-related violence, providing one-to-one sessions and weekly group training to build emotional regulation, confidence, and pro-social behaviour.
Rose Alchemy CIC	The Thorn & Rose Project	£10,000	Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland	This project will deliver a preventative education and wellbeing programme for young people aged 14+ across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, helping them build healthy relationships, recognise domestic and sexual abuse, and develop emotional resilience. Through evidence-based learning with creative and movement-based activities.
Somali Development Services	Community Safety & Vulnerability Hub – SDS Food Hub & Advice Centre	£10,000	Leicester	This project will develop Somali Development Services Food Hub & Advice Centre into a Community Safety & Vulnerability Hub, offering early identification and tailored support for people at risk of domestic abuse, exploitation and serious violence. Through routine safety screening, one-to-one advice and monthly workshops, the Hub will help adults, parents and young people recognise risks, access protection and build resilience.
South Kilworth Parish Council	South Kilworth Village: CCTV Coverage of Village Community Facilities	£2,498.61	South Kilworth	This project will install a modern CCTV system across the South Kilworth recreational area to deter vandalism, improve community safety, and protect key public facilities. The system will support crime deterrence, provide evidential

				footage when require, and help safeguard the village's major community assets for residents and neighbouring villages.
The Recovery Network	Spinney Hill SafePath	£9,637.28	Spinney Hill	The SafePath project will establish a secure, centralised CRM system to support the coordinated delivery of the organisation's recovery services. The system will replace existing paper-based and fragmented information processes, enabling all authorised staff and volunteers to access consistent, GDPR-compliant records relating to individuals engaged in counselling, support groups, family support, outreach activities and the Recovery Gym. The project will enhance continuity of care, support timely identification of risk, and facilitate more effective internal communication across service areas.
Arc Reactor LTD	Notepad Wisdom	£1,000	Leicester	The project provides tailored support for vulnerable young people through one-to-one sessions and small group work, equipping them with practical coping strategies and helping them build positive pathways that steer them away from violence and harmful life choices, toward a safer and more secure future.
Creative Collaborators CIC	Prison Podcast	£9,151.29	Leicester	The project aims to provide prisoners with structured, skills-based training in communication, audio production, teamwork, problem-solving, storytelling, and digital media. To support rehabilitation, reduce the risk of reoffending, and create meaningful pathways to employment upon release.
Leicester Rape Crisis	Enhanced Care Project	£9,329	Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland	The project will support Service Users facing multiple disadvantages, including neurodiversity, mental health challenges, and disabilities. By providing specialist counselling services to those who need them most, the project aims to empower clients, promote recovery, and encourage reintegration into the community, fostering inclusion and resilience.
Resilience Through Martial Arts	Respect, Regulation & Responsibility: A School-Based Violence Prevention Programme	£9,960	Leicester & Leicestershire	This project will deliver a six-week, school-based violence prevention programme designed for young people aged 13–16. The programme responds concerns around youth violence, harmful

				attitudes, emotional dysregulation, and early indicators of Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG), including coercive behaviour, peer-on-peer aggression, and poor conflict resolution skills.
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**£153,870.80**

## **Supporting information**

### 10) Background information

The Community Action Fund is part of the wider Community Action Programme, which supports grassroots initiatives that aim to prevent crime and improve safety. It provides targeted funding to smaller organisations and community groups, enabling them to deliver local solutions to local challenges. Each funding round focuses on a specific theme aligned with Police and Crime Plan.

### 10) Detail of additional information attached.

N/A

### 10) Expected benefits.

The fund aligns with the Police and Crime Plan. It promotes inclusive engagement, protects vulnerable individuals, and helps reduce demand on emergency services across Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland.

By investing directly in local initiatives, the fund empowers residents, schools, and community groups to shape solutions that reflect their needs and priorities. This approach strengthens local ownership, builds confidence, and supports the creation of safer, more resilient neighbourhoods where people feel protected and connected.

### 10) Impact of not approving the application

Without funding, proposed projects may not go ahead, which could result in missed opportunities to prevent harm, reduce vulnerability, and support the Police and Crime Plan's focus on early intervention and community resilience.

### 10) Financial implications (including any cost savings)

**£153,871.44** from the allocated Community Action Fund budget.

### 10) Consultations (Details of any consultations that have been carried out or reason as to why no consultations has taken place):

All areas of focus have come directly from the Police and Crime Plan; therefore, a consultation was not required. Areas include:

- Rural Crime
- Road Safety
- Violence and Vulnerability
- Business Crime
- Neighbourhood Crime
- Violence Against Women and Girls

10) Collaboration (is there an opportunity to collaborate with partners)

Collaboration opportunities available with partners.

10) Equality, Diversity & Human Rights implications

All projects funded have declared that they have the necessary policies in place and are available upon request.

10) 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

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):**

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act) and other legislation. Unless the information provided is covered by an exemption and stated to be either confidential or partly confidential, the information contained in the form will be published on the OPCC website.

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**Chief Finance Officer:**

**Comments:** Approved 14/05/26

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: Kira Knott**

**Date: 14/05/26**

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**Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer:**

**Comments:** Approved 15/05/26.

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: Claire Trewartha**

**Date: 15/05/26**

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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**

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:**