



## 2025 – 26 Commissioner’s Community Safety Fund

The Staffordshire Commissioner is continuing to make funding available to local Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) for the period 1 April 2025 – 31 March 2026. The fund will be known as the Community Safety Fund. Full details will be provided to the Chief Executive, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Community Safety within each CSP, along with Community Safety Officers, in advance of the new financial year.

Below please find details of key facts in relation to the award of this fund.

### Community Safety Fund – Purpose

The Commissioner’s Community Safety Fund is to be used to address local crime and community safety priorities. The purpose of the fund is to:

- Prevent or reduce crime
- Prevent or reduce antisocial behaviour
- Increase public confidence
- Increase feelings of safety
- Increase knowledge of the CSP and ASB Case Reviews

CSP’s Strategic Needs Assessment, Local Community Safety Plan, the Police and Crime Plan, hot-spot data and community surveys / concerns should be used to assist decision making concerning funding allocation.

### Community Safety Fund – Criteria

The fund can be used to support:

- Local multi-agency problem solving / tasking (a re-active funding pot up to a maximum of 15% of local fund)
- Awareness campaigns (combined across areas where advantageous – particularly where there are shared priorities or days / weeks of action etc)
- Place-based interventions
- Capital projects (not spanning more than one year)
- Associated posts/roles up to a maximum of £25,000 pa.
- Spend should be determined by the local CSP, supported by the local Community Safety Portfolio Lead and approved by the CSP

The fund cannot be used to support:

- Core council, police, fire, PCC, health or other statutory service business / responsibility (including overtime)
- Victim based support services
- Any service already being provided (avoid duplication)
- Speed Indicator Devices



All projects funded by the Commissioner’s Community Fund should be considered for positive publicity, with engagement on every occasion with the Commissioner’s Communication Team. This will help to deliver the purpose of the fund (emily.bladon-selsby@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk).

**Commissioner’s Community Safety Fund – Requirements and Timeline**

By receiving the Commissioner’s Community Safety Fund, Local Authority Community Safety Officers agree to provide timely, the following information.

- Detail of proposed spend, in line with crime and community safety priorities and public reassurance as identified with the local Community Safety Strategic Assessment and the Local Community Safety Plan which should be passed to the SCO for consideration using Appendix A attached.
- On approval of spend of the full Commissioner’s Community Safety Fund allocation, an invoice should be submitted to the SCO for payment.
- By 31 December 2025, a forecast of total spend for the CSP for the year 2025 – 26 should be forwarded to the SCO using Appendix B attached.
- An evaluation of outcomes achieved from each of activities funded by the Commissioner’s Community Safety Grant should be forwarded to the SCO by 31 May 2026 using Appendix C attached.

Action	Deadline
Appendix A - CSP Spend Proposal Submission	30 April 2025
Appendix B - Forecast Spend Submission	31 December 2025
Appendix C - Evaluation Submission	31 May 2026
Appendix submissions to Helen Davies: <a href="mailto:helen.davies@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk">helen.davies@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk</a> Invoice submission to Ellie Morgan: <a href="mailto:ellie.moran@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk">ellie.moran@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk</a> Comms Engagement with Emily Bladon-Selsby: <a href="mailto:emily.bladon-selsby@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk">emily.bladon-selsby@staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk</a>	