

## OPCC Record of Decision

Additional Funds for Stronger North Stonehouse
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Date of Decision:	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2021

### **1. Background**

- 1.1 In August 2020 the Police and Crime Commissioner was awarded funding under the Home Office Safer Streets Fund for the area of North Stonehouse in Plymouth (the Stronger North Stonehouse Project). This was a collaborative bid developed with the local authority, Devon and Cornwall Police, wider partners and community groups.
- 1.2 The Stronger North Stonehouse Project has focused on CCTV and street lighting, crime prevention initiatives such as dwelling security enhancements and the setting up of Neighbourhood watches and community projects and initiatives that help reclaim public spaces. Delivery of the project has been a partnership initiative led jointly by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Plymouth City Council. Local community organisations have been directly engaged in delivery of the bids and have led on specific areas of work.
- 1.3 The Stronger North Stonehouse Project has delivered significant progress over its seven months of operation despite the challenges of the pandemic. Home Office funding for the project ends on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. The Project Team has identified a number of areas for continued support over 2021/22, in particular to carry out additional activity in areas of the project where the impact of the coronavirus restrictions has affected the delivery and to support ongoing legacy of the project.

### **2. Decision Record**

- 2.1 The PCC has allocated up to £70,000 from PCC funding to support the continued delivery of the Stronger North Stonehouse Project in 2021/22. This funding will enable work to take place to fully establish the Stronger North Stonehouse Network and to supplement and strengthen crime prevention projects and initiatives launched during 2021/22.

### **3. Consultation, Engagement and Communication**

- 3.1 Prior to the making of this decision the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner consulted with partners engaged in the Stronger North Stonehouse Project. This has included Plymouth City Council and the Plymouth Commander within Devon and Cornwall Police. The decision is being communicated with partners engaged in the project through correspondence.
- 3.2 This decision was the subject of a formal report to the OPCC Leadership Board meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021. The Board gave its support to the proposal to allocate up to £70,000 to Stronger North Stonehouse for 2021/22.

### **4. OPCC Monitoring Officer advice**

#### **4.1 Legal, Management, Equality and GDPR (UK) Implications – Current and Future**

The PCC's Monitoring Officer has advised that this decision is within the powers of those making it and that, from the information provided, there would not appear to be any adverse legal, managerial, equality or GDPR (UK) implications arising from the proposal.

#### **4.2 Financial and Commercial – Current and Future**

The PCC's Chief Finance Officer and S151 Officer has advised that the financial implications are set out within this decision and are both reasonable and deliverable.

This decision will help support the organisation in its drive to keep communities safe and tackle acquisitive crime and will enable the Stronger North Stonehouse Project to take forward additional crime prevention initiatives and activities that were constrained within the Home Office funding window as a result of the coronavirus pandemic restrictions in 2020/21.

### **5. Supporting documents:**

- 5.1 No additional supporting papers are attached.

### **6. Official approval**

- 6.1 Following the appropriate approval, this decision sheet will be published, subject to FOIA classification, on the OPCC website.

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The Recommendation for Decision as outlined in this report is formally approved and subject to Freedom of Information Classification will be published on the OPCC website:

**Police and Crime Commissioner**



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Signed  
Print: Alison Hernandez  
Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

**Governance Signature by Chief Financial Officer**



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Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

**Governance Signature by Monitoring Officer**



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Data Protection Impact Assessment attached <i>[Tick if completed]</i>	N/A
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