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Title of report PCC New Initiatives Fund - Prince's Trust 'Positive Steps'	
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**1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £24,292 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the New Initiatives Fund to The Prince's Trust, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex. This would secure or lead to securing a reduction in crime and disorder.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of the New Initiatives Fund grant to provide support to 25 young offenders, or young people at risk of offending, through the delivery of a high quality informal learning provision.

**3. Benefits of Proposal**

- 3.1 The underlying causes of crime will be challenged as young people develop new personal and social skills that enable them to move towards employment and education.
- 3.2 The number of victims will be reduced as offenders move away from crime and enter employment and training. The project will work with the Essex Probation Trust to support offenders onto Princes Trust projects, work placements, apprenticeships and employment opportunities.

3.3 The Prince's Trust will share best practice, lessons learnt and the results of our project with local policing and crime prevention stakeholders. This means that the success that we will have will be widely communicated so that more young people are able to benefit from similar programmes

#### **4. Background and proposal**

4.1 The proposal is supported by a detailed application in the required format.

#### **5. Police and Crime Plan**

5.1. This proposal supports the PCC's vision and delivery of the following key areas of focus:

- Reducing youth offending and youth re-offending
- Tackling the consequences of drug and alcohol abuse and mental health issues
- Improving crime prevention
- Ensuring local solutions meet local problems
- Increasing efficiency in policing through collaborative working and innovation

#### **6. Police Operational Implications**

6.1 There are no operational implications.

#### **7. Financial Implications**

7.1 The PCC would fund a £24,292 contribution to The Prince's Trust.

#### **8. Legal Implications**

8.1 The award of the grant is subject to the PCC's standard funding agreement.

#### **9. Staffing and other resource implications**

9.1 There are no staffing issues

#### **10. Equality and Diversity implications**

10.1 The programme will be accessible to young aged 13 -19 years through targeted youth work and liaison closely with partners and the young people themselves.



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