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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 0116/15
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Title of report PCC CSDF – Essex Fire & Rescue Service Restorative Firebreak	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of up to £13,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the CSDF to Essex Fire and Rescue Service, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve the allocation of the CSDF grant to Essex Fire & Rescue Service to deliver up to 3 Restorative Firebreak courses.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. The Restorative Principles Firebreak will run on the same basis as a standard firebreak course whilst also offering victims the support to cope and recover from their experience, enabling positive attitudinal changes, and challenging offenders to have an awareness of the impact of their crime on victims.
- 3.2. Referrals for the course will be sourced from CRC and the Essex Restorative Justice (RJ) hub, and may include both victims and offenders. The firebreak course may lead to, or be a referral from, the Essex RJ hub.
- 3.3. The projects aims are to;
- To achieve 80% non-reoffending rate for those involved on the course who have offended
 - Create a sense of camaraderie and community cohesion for all involved within the project enabling them to be valued by one another and the community.

- To improve satisfaction and self-confidence amongst the victims that attend the course
- Ensure those involved make the most of their own and others' potential
- To achieve 80% compliance rate for those attending on the course who have compliance orders
- Deliver a practical qualification to attendees
- Improve the wider partnership's awareness and use of restorative approaches and principles

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. This funding is for up to 3 Firebreak courses; one in each of the LPAs in Essex. The project will be piloted in 2 areas before a decision on whether to approve the final course will be made.
- 4.2. This project is being developed with the assistance of the Essex RJ Hub Development Manager.
- 4.3. The project benefits from in-kind contributions from Essex Fire & Rescue service.

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1 Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;
- Supporting victims of crime
 - Reducing youth offending and all types of re-offending
 - Improving crime prevention
 - Ensuring local solutions meet local problems

6. Police Operational Implications

- 6.1 No operational impact

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 The PCC would fund a £13,000 contribution to Essex Fire & Rescue Service.

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 There are no equality and diversity implications

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