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Title of report – Police & Crime Plan – Schools Competition	

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1. Purpose of report

1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of crime and disorder grants from the CSF totalling £900 in the form of prize money that winning schools will spend on a school safety project that addresses community safety priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex.

2. Recommendations

2.1. Approve funding of £900 to the competition prize fund as follows: First Prize £500, Second Prize £300, Third Prize £100.

3. Benefits of Proposal

3.1. The competition will encourage engagement with children in schools, making them aware of the consultation taking place around the new Police and Crime Plan. The brief will be specifically tailored to consider how they can improve safety within their school community by thinking of initiatives that if are chosen as winning entries, will then have funds to implement those initiatives or another similarly safety-driven school initiative.

4. Background and proposal

4.1. Following the launch of the Police and Crime Plan consultation period, it was discussed how to involve Primary Schools in order to make them aware of the P&CP and to get them involved in thinking about safety in their school community by focusing on a specific area they would improve. It is

recommended that a poster campaign aimed at Key Stage 2 (KS2) Primary would be an effective way of reaching out to a significant number of young people who are not currently being engaged with. By targeting KS2 it was thought that the children would be more aware of their school environment and more crucially have thoughts and ideas on how they could make it safer.

It was also decided that in order to encourage school participation, a financial prize should be offered that could be spent on improving safety in the school community. It was further decided to issue the competition via email using Essex County Council and Unitary Authorities email distribution, and have entries returned via PDF as this would be the most effective way of reaching schools, as well as minimising cost.

5. Police and Crime Plan

5.1. The competition is specifically designed as a way of engaging with primary schools around the Police and Crime Plan, in this case highlighting safety within the school community. The artwork generated by the competition will also be used in the P&CP publication as well as forming a series of artworks to be displayed around the OPCC.

6. Police Operational Implications

6.1. There will be no police operational implications.

7. Financial Implications

7.1. The PCC would make financial contributions worth £900 to 3 Essex schools.

8. Legal Implications

8.1. There are no legal implications

9. Staffing and other resource implications

9.1. The media and engagement assistant will carry out the main tasks with input from team members in respect of judging the entries.

10. Equality and Diversity implications

10.1. The competition will be open to all Primary schools children in upper KS2 in Essex including faith schools, SEND schools, Academies and Foundations

Report Approval

Asst Director for Commissioning

The report will be signed off by the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.

Decision I agree the recommendations to this report **PCC/Deputy PCC** Date signed. Location. Location. Location. I do not agree the recommendations to this report because **PCC/Deputy PCC** Date signed..... Location.....

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Publication

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