



## **LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD**

**28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025**

### **LRSCSB UPDATE: OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

#### **Background**

1. The Executive team supporting the work of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Leicestershire is known as the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC). This team has been put together specifically to enable the PCC to successfully carry out his duties. The OPCC is led by a Chief Executive, whose responsibility is to manage the staff team and provide a monitoring role to ensure that standards remain high. The team also includes a Chief Finance Officer to advise the PCC on financial matters and the impact of any decisions regarding the budget, spending and commissioning. Other specialist staff provide support on key areas of business and manage the administrative functions of the OPCC.

#### **Notable developments and challenges:**

##### **Past Year**

2. The Safer Street 5 project has concluded for Oadby and Wigston now with all milestones achieved or exceeded. We are working with the district council and local NPA team on communications related to this to highlight the positive work that has occurred.
3. Safer Streets 5 for Melton Mowbray which targeted Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) is due to complete end of March 2025 and similar communications are currently being planned. All key milestones have been met or exceeded and we are generally satisfied with the work undertaken which has strengthened relationships between the OPCC, district council and Police.
4. The Home Office has informed us there will not be another Safer Street project in the near future in their last update. If this changes or there are other grant funding opportunities similar to this we will update partners accordingly.
5. The majority of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) budget across LLR has been spent and we anticipate a very small underspend. We are currently exploring options on using this funding to support the rollout of the ECINS Case Management System which is due to replace Sentinel as well as supporting the

County Council on LLR Wide work using this underspend. This is currently being worked out between the OPCC and operational staff at Leicestershire County Council.

6. We are exploring ways in which we may be able to support Leicestershire County Council with funding using a portion of the CSP budget so they can carry out wider LLR wide work that benefits all areas. This will be raised through the Senior Officer Group (SOG) in due course to explore this option but is in response to an issue highlighted at the last meeting on how we can better support LCC on funding for projects such as ASB training every year without them having to go to each CSP as this was proving cumbersome.
7. This year (24/25) saw increased funding for all CSP areas due to savings made the previous year through the implementation of a new way of monitoring and working with CSPs. The amounts given below are for information but you can see a substantial amount of funding had been dedicated to the Community Safety Partnerships, more than previously, primarily through efficiency savings. We anticipate seeing their allocations revert back to their original amounts as there is no underspend budget this year to top up their amounts and this was something we have highlighted with partners and the majority are aware of such from discussions.

<b>CSP Area</b>	<b>Allocation 24/25 (including 23/24 underspend)</b>
Leicester	£313,421.48
Charnwood	£103,233.23
SNWLP	£62,006.76
Blaby	£60,726.49
Hinckley and Bosworth	£59,056.62
Harborough	£43,216.19
Oadby and Wigston	£37,537.20
Melton Mowbray	£36,131.82
Rutland	£22,250.25

8. Funding for 25/26 is anticipated to be as follows:

<b>CSP Area</b>	<b>Allocation 25/26</b>
Leicester	£271,818.47
Charnwood	£89,530.24
SNWLP	£53,776.10
Blaby	£52,665.76
Hinckley and Bosworth	£51,217.55
Harborough	£37,479.75
Oadby and Wigston	£32,554.58

Melton Mowbray	£31,335.75
Rutland	£19,296.80

9. James O'Connell at the OPCC is currently working on a Business Crime initiative. This is in partnership with the Force and is looking at helping smaller retailers address retail crime and thefts. His email is [james.oconnell@leics.police.uk](mailto:james.oconnell@leics.police.uk) if you would like to link in with him on this workstream to discuss the specification around this and get more information.
10. More in-depth updates are available as part of the Police and Crime Panel report which encompasses our wider work which was released recently on February 5<sup>th</sup> 2025. This gives more depth on the wider range of work the OPCC are undertaking and would be too great in scope to include and repeat again but a link is here should you wish to read more:  
<https://democracy.leics.gov.uk/mgChooseDocPack.aspx?ID=7955>

### **Coming Year**

11. N/A

### **Issues in local areas**

12. Not applicable.

### **Recommendations for the Board**

13. This report is for the board to note.

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