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**E-mail only:**

Dear

**FOI Request: FOI 20/2019**

I write in connection with your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and sent to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire on date, 24 May 2019 regarding the Enthusiasm Grant

Please find below our response to your enquiry:

**Question 1**

Can you clarify whether the reports that you have forwarded were the one's supplied after the 1st 6 months, and therefore supporting the award of the 2nd half of the grant (which was my question) or at the end of the grant period (i.e. for the whole year)?

**Response**

*The report supplied represents the first six months of activity and therefore supports the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the 12-month grant.*

*The 12 months report is available on our website under FOI/16/2019 see link below*

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<https://www.derbyshire-pcc.gov.uk/Transparency/Freedom-of-Information/Freedom-of-Information-Disclosure-Log-2019.aspx>

The grant agreement specifically requires the work to be in Sinfin (it was confirmed in my meeting with [REDACTED] that this meant the district of Sinfin, and not the ward). However, in this report not only does it refer to the Sinfin ward, but it also incorporates Allenton and Alvaston which are outside of the designated area and the location of existing funded work. 95% of the outreach work has been done in these areas. Enthusiasm's written report states "...specifically focussing on the priority areas of Sinfin, Boulton and Alvaston wards"

The attached map shows Sinfin in green, and, in red, the area that includes the 3 wards. Most of the work being undertaken outside of the priority area.

The agreement is clear:

*"As far as possible the proposed preventative programme needs to be concentrated in Sinfin as a priority area rather than on other existing geographical areas of work"*

## **Question 2**

Has the grant agreement been amended to include these additional areas. If so, why?

### **Response**

*Following receipt of the grant applications in the second round of the Commissioner's Community Action Large Grants, the OPCC held initial discussions with the Divisional Commander of South Division and the Community Safety Inspector for South Division. These discussions provided the Commissioner with an operational overview from a policing perspective in relation to the City specific proposed grants. It was at this point that the area of Sinfin was identified as an area of priority in relation to operational policing and the escalation of knife crime and gang related activity at that time.*

*During the course of the grant the provider has met regularly with the Multi Agency Disruption Team which consists of Council officers and police officers and where conversations are held about locations of incidents, emerging trends around knife crime and gang related activity including exploitation of vulnerable young people in Derby City. The operational response required from all partners at these meetings is then discussed and agreed.*

*When individuals are identified in neighbouring ward areas to Sinfin that would benefit from the programme then the provider has ensured that these individuals are included in the programme. Over the course of the grant term the locations of incidents, emerging trends around knife crime and gang related activity has changed and although originally Sinfin was identified as an area of priority this has changed and the programme has responded to these changes and the information gathered from the meetings with the Multi Agency Disruption Team to ensure that the programme is visible and proactive in the areas that are identified as of greatest concern.*

*The provider has worked closely with partners to ensure that information gathered is used to inform the programme of the areas of Derby it needs to focus on and through this process we are assured that the programme has responded in accordance with the demands and needs identified in the local ward areas of Derby and by all partners.*

## **Question 3**

How have you assured yourself that the work has not been in "existing geographical areas", with existing clients of Enthusiasm?

### **Response**

*As previously stated under response 2, we are satisfied that the provider responded to information gathered from the Multi Agency Disruption Team. We are comfortable that the provider responded to the changing landscape regarding knife crime which*

*ensured that the most vulnerable young individuals were identified quickly and proactively.*

*We place more concern around ensuring that any individuals who may be vulnerable of knife crime/gang related activity are identified and engaged with appropriately than around the location of the programme as the Multi Agency Disruption Team informs the provider of what areas of Derby are of potential concern at any given time, and as you can appreciate at the beginning of the grant the area of concern was identified as Sinfin however, over the course of the year this changed to include the areas of Allenton and Alvaston. We believe that the programme needs to be fluid so that it can respond appropriately to the risks identified otherwise the programme is of risk of not being fit for purpose and would potentially exclude some of the very individuals it was designed to protect.*

If you are not satisfied with our response to your request, under Section 17 of the FOIA of the FOIA you are entitled to ask for an internal review of our decision. Any internal review needs to be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this response and state why you are unhappy with the response. You can submit an internal review in the following ways:

- emailing the OPCC Inbox – [PCCOffice@Derbyshire.PNN.Police.UK](mailto:PCCOffice@Derbyshire.PNN.Police.UK) or;
- writing to the OPCC at –  
The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire  
Butterley Hall  
Ripley  
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By phone – 0300 122 6000 (as a reasonable adjustment under the Equality Act 2010).

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal review under Section 50 of the FOIA you can apply directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure provided by the OPCC. You can contact the ICO in the following ways:

- online at the ICO – <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/> or;

- writing to the ICO at –  
Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marie Romano'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Marie' written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name 'Romano'.

**Marie Romano**  
**On behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner**