



**MAYOR OF LONDON**  
OFFICE FOR POLICING AND CRIME

## **London Heads of Community Safety**

via email

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Dear colleague

I am writing to you to set out the process for implementing the Deputy Mayor's decision on the future of the London Crime Prevention Fund (LCPF) which was sent to your Leader on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

As set out in the Deputy Mayor's letter to London Leaders, the new approach to the LCPF involves the following:

- The continuation at the same level of the LCPF budget for four years from 2017/18 to 2020/21 with no decreases to current borough funding allocations in the first year of the fund.
- In year 1 direct funding allocated to borough remains the same or increases.
- An uplift has been provided in the first year of the fund to those boroughs which were previously allocated less than their share of the LCPF budget according to an assessment of current levels of need and demand. This is in order to support a gradual transition to the redistribution of the direct borough funding according to need and demand. For the following three years of the fund (2018/19 – 2020/21), the direct borough funding budget will be distributed according to a calculation of local levels of need and demand.
- The LCPF budget is apportioned between direct borough funding (70%) and funding for co-commissioned services (30%) starting in year 2 of the fund, from 2018/19 to 2020/21. Boroughs will be core partners in the development of the criteria of the new co-commissioning funding pot and will be significant beneficiaries of the fund.
- Direct funding to boroughs is committed for 2 years to allow for flexibility in terms of spend over a 24 month period.

There will be no roll over in funding between the two funding periods (between years 2 and 3). The borough allocations in the second funding period (years 3 and 4) will be dependent on a refreshed assessment of the need and demand funding formula in year 2 of the fund. We would however advise you to use your year 2 funding allocation as guide when planning future commissioning decisions.

Borough funding level for years 1 and 2 has been allocated and are not dependent on a bidding process. However we do require that boroughs provide MOPAC with sufficient information to understand the details of their proposed spend and any changes in your local commissioning arrangements in order to ensure that this funding will effectively support the priorities of the new Police and Crime Plan.

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To support us in this process we would ask that you complete the attached spreadsheet by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December** and submit it to [CrimePrevention@mopac.london.gov.uk](mailto:CrimePrevention@mopac.london.gov.uk) and copy in your borough SPOC. Please also find a guidance and FAQ document to support you.

MOPAC will endeavour to ensure all 32 boroughs receive formal approval of their proposals by the end of January/ beginning of February with grant agreements signed before the next financial year. I expect these timescales align with your local commissioning timeframes and there will be no need for any unplanned decommissioning to take place. If this is not the case and you have concerns about how this may impact your future commissioning/ decommissioning then please contact your borough SPOC at the earliest opportunity.

In respect of monitoring arrangements going forward, invoicing will continue to be quarterly in arrears so boroughs will continue to be expected to provide information on spend on a quarterly basis. There will then be yearly reviews of the projects/programmes impact against what you agreed to deliver and the relevant area of the Police and Crime Plan performance framework. Further details on the process and timeframes for these monitoring arrangements will be made available in due course.

We recognise that is this to going to boroughs ahead of the formal draft of the Police and Crime Plan. However, this is intentional to provide you with more time to discuss and agree locally your priorities for this fund. We anticipate that the draft Police and Crime Plan will go out for formal consultation in early December. This will provide you with more detail on key areas of committed spend and performance measures, which will help shape your response.

I look forward to working closely with you over the next four years on delivering the Mayor's next Police and Crime Plan.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Samantha Cunningham', is positioned above the typed name and title.

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