
THE COMMUNITIES AGAINST DRUGS UPDATE

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 To apprise Members of the suggestions put forward so far concerning the funding made available under the Government's 'Communities Against Drugs' initiative.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 At the Rochford District Crime and Disorder Partnership meeting on 15 October 2001 members present were apprised of the initial recommendations made at the Drug Reference Group (DRG) on 27 September. The next meeting for the DRG is set for 14 November when it is expected that they will agree on final recommendations to be put forward to the Rochford District Crime and Disorder Partnership.

3 DRG RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The meeting was informed that on 27 September the Drug Reference Group, subject to the approval of the Partnership, had agreed to the following:

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| • A follow-up to the Drug Education Project | £7841 |
| • Display boards for awareness displays | £1024 |
| • Video presenter, computer, drugs display cases for use at awareness displays | £1080 |
| • Conference for independent youth sector e.g. Scouts, Girls Brigade etc. | £ 789 |
| • Reprint of drugs posters | To be confirmed |
| • Pull-out colour supplement in Rochford District Matters | £1750 |
| • Feasibility study/needs assessment to be conducted in Rochford by the StAR Project. | £5000 |
| (Castle Point is financing a Young Persons Drug Service on Canvey Island to the tune of £33,250. The study in Rochford would indicate whether such a project was required in Rochford District) | |
| • CCTV cameras for Pooles Lane Car Park, Hullbridge, where there is evidence of drug misuse. | £2907.50 |

Members were concerned that other areas should be included in the feasibility

study and parishes have been invited to make proposals where cctv cameras will reduce drug related problems.

- 3.3 Proposals are yet to be received from the Rayleigh Police Division who have a number of projects that are awaiting internal approval

4 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 As detailed in this report.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 In addition to those mentioned in this report, it has been estimated that from the £59,300 of CAD money the current suggestions for spending amount to £26,888.58 leaving £32,411.42 for additional projects.

6 RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 It is proposed that the Sub-Committee **RECOMMENDS**

That this report be noted and further reports be submitted in due course.
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Background Papers

None.

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