



CSP Funding Process 2025/26

Briefing for:	For the attention of all Community Safety Partnership's within Warwickshire
Subject/Paper:	2025/26 CSP funding process
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CSP Funding Process for 2025/26	<p>The application window will be open from Monday 24th March 2025 until 5pm on Friday 19th December 2025, giving each CSP time to collate thoughts regarding projects, address emerging issues throughout the year and complete project submissions. We have continued the extended deadline based on the positive feedback we have received from each CSP in 2024/25.</p> <p>For 2024/25, in addition to local CSP funding of £30,000 per district/borough, the PCC made a further £25,000 available at a county level to support action on priorities that had been identified as being more effectively implemented through coordinated or joint working across Warwickshire as a whole.</p> <p>For 2025/26, following feedback from CSPs, the PCC has agreed to remove the countywide allocation and instead proportionately split the additional £25,000 between each of the five districts/borough, raising their individual allocations to £35,000. However, the PCC remains committed to supporting joined-up action on shared community safety priorities and so expects CSPs to collaborate together in order to provide some of their PCC funding to support the areas set out in the county-level Community Safety Agreement. This will be closely monitored by the OPCC.</p>
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	<p>All CSP grants will cover the period from the 1st of April 2025 to the 31st of March 2026, and projects must be fully delivered with grant monies spent within this time frame, regardless of approval or submission timeframes. There will be no opportunities to carry forward money into 2026/27.</p> <p>Whilst funding is ring-fenced, strong governance surrounding the allocation of that funding needs to be in place to ensure that Police and Crime Plan objectives are met. Further details are included below.</p>
Making a submission	<p>In 2025/26, there are going to be some changes to the way project submissions are made. The OPCC has invested in a new grant funding management tool to improve the efficiency of funding processes, including the CSP funding process.</p> <p>Submissions will now be made via the OPCC grant funding page where you will find a CSP funding section. There will be an action button 'Make a submission' which you will need to click. Once clicked, this will open a short form in another windows tab. You will then be able to fill in the form and submit this to the OPCC for approval.</p> <p>The form will ask you to specify which CSP you are submitting a project on behalf of, and only CSPs will be able to make submissions. The form has been condensed to ensure that only core information is requested from CSPs to inform appropriate decision making.</p> <p>You will receive immediate confirmation of your submission, and you will be given the option to download a copy of your submission for your own records. There are also save as you go along functions, if your proposal is not ready to be submitted, allowing you to revisit and work on your submission.</p> <p>The OPCC will be notified of your submission and once approval has been given for a specific project/initiative, a purchase order will be raised and issued to the CSP for the individual project sum.</p> <p>CSP's will be required to submit invoices in arrears against the specific purchase order to release funding for completed works. No advance payments will be made, and only invoices quoting the purchase order reference will be</p>

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	<p>paid, in line with normal financial practise and controls. Payments will not be paid directly to service providers; payments will only be paid to the CSP.</p> <p>If you have any additional queries concerning the CSP funding process, please email opcc@warwickshire.police.uk</p>
Additional information	
Monitoring and project delivery	<p>CSPs will be required to provide monitoring information to the OPCC. This will be done through a brief meeting between the Finance, Commissioning and Grants Team at the OPCC and each individual CSP for the purpose of discussing relevant project developments, performance monitoring and financial spend updates. These meetings will take place on a quarterly basis. This method worked well in 2024/25 and received positive feedback from each CSP, therefore this will be continued.</p>