

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL
OFFICER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 17th August 2022 by the Director of Communities.

Date notified to all members: 27 th September 2022

1. **TITLE**

Acceptance of Safer Streets Fund Round 4 Grant Funding

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Director of Communities:-

1. SCC accept grant funding of £230K from the Home Office, to meet the aims and objectives of the report;
2. Agree match funding of £115K, to meet the aims and objectives of the report; and
3. Agree commissioning of works and services as set out in the report.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

Once approved, this grant will bring benefits to the communities most affected by acquisitive crime in the Sharrow/Ecclesall Rd area.

The main outcomes will be:

- The number of victims of acquisitive crime will reduce.
- Crime Rates will reduce in the area and Sheffield residents and visitors will be attracted to spend more time in the area bringing much needed financial activity and growth.
- Overall people will feel much safer whilst in their home or visiting the area.
- The area identified contains a lot of student accommodation so will benefit students by them feeling safer and attracting more students to the city

CCTV will also help to combat violence against women and girls with cameras in the area being monitored and reports passed back to SYP.

Should the grant money not be accepted then Sheffield would not be in a position to immediately enhance or improve community safety within those areas Identified and the opportunity for crime to increase will be much greater.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

Not to accept the grant funding.

If the grant monies are not accepted and utilised for this work, the benefits of a reduction in acquisitive crime because of the camera installation and reassurance to local people and help make people, feel safe when out and about will not be realised.

5. **Documents used in making decision:**

Officer Report

6 **Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service**

None

7. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Executive Director, Communities