

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL SALISBURY AREA BOARD

13 November 2014

Cllr Led Bid – Cllr Ricky Rogers Streetwatch in Salisbury

1. Purpose of the Report

To consider a proposal to fund the Street Watch insurance which covers all schemes in Salisbury

2. Background

Street Watch is a scheme run by the community in partnership with Wiltshire Police, Salisbury. Volunteer members of the scheme walk the local area in pairs, acting as good citizens to help take responsibility for their area and tackle the low level issues that impact most on their community. They would report any concerns to Salisbury Police.

The need for this project has been identified by an increasing number of police forces as an effective way to tackle low level crime such as anti-social behaviour and littering. Volunteer members patrol their area in pairs wearing high visibility clothing. They are in possession of a mobile phone so that they can report any issues to the local police or the local council depending on the nature of the issue. Members are DBS checked and trained by the local police.

3. Proposal

To support the continuing impact of the Street Watch volunteers in Salisbury, a revenue grant of £425 is needed to cover the costs of the public liability insurance. This will ensure that the volunteers are covered and can carry out their work in Salisbury.

4. Sustainability

This is a revenue cost to support the well-established Street Watch projects going on across Salisbury and the one insurance covers all the schemes.

5. Recommendations

That the Area Board sets aside a sum of £425 from its revenue budget to purchase the insurance identified in this report.

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