

THE HIGH SHERIFFS' & HUMBERSIDE POLICE TRIBUNE TRUST

PRESS RELEASE

'Trust Supports Sport, Vulnerable Victims, youth and Drugs Projects'

At the Autumn meeting of the Tribune Trust on 19 October the trustees approved grant awards for 7 Community based projects in the Humberside Police area all tackling Trust objectives.

£2,000 was awarded to Humbercare in the East Riding. Humbercare works closely with the Probation Service, drug and alcohol services, prisons and local authorities to reduce re-offending by helping offenders with accommodation, employment, training and mentoring. The award will assist in funding additional work with former drug and alcohol users to mentor other recovering users linked to the wider Drug Strategy in the East Riding.

Following a high profile fund Raising quiz and supper at KC Stadium, Hull in September organised by the Chairman of the Trust Hugh Bethell and RAPt (Rehabilitation of Addicted Prisoners Trust) £6,500 was raised for the RAPt Bridges Residential Project in Hull. This is a hugely successful project with many former offenders being fully rehabilitated allowing them to move on and in many cases assist others as they are released from prison. This reflects the change of direction with the National Drug Strategy from reducing drug use through maintenance to full abstinence and rehabilitation.

£1,000 was awarded to the Withernsea Army Cadets to fund training for the cadets in interviewing and broadcasting by staff members of the 'Seaside Radio Station' Withernsea. Cadets will interview current and former service personnel through the Royal British Legion about their experiences with programmes broadcast live in the run up to Remembrance Day and Remembrance Sunday.

£1,000 was awarded to the Driffield and District Skate and BMX Park, Skerne Road, Driffield an established facility maintained and operated through difficult times for over 8 years. The award will help fund general costs. The park is used by young people from a very wide area of the East Riding.

£500 was awarded to the Basketball Governing Body to help fund the highly successful All Nations Basketball Tournament held at the KC Stadium and Scunthorpe in September and October. This is an excellent example of using sport to improve links between people from many nationalities in the Humberside Police area.

£2,500 was awarded to the Harbour Place Centre for the homeless in Grimsby to help fund street outreach work to support former offenders and help them with housing, accessing drug and alcohol services, mental health and general health issues. Harbour

Place has been nationally acclaimed as an excellent service for the homeless and vulnerable people without a fixed address.

£2,250 to Voluntary Action North East Lincolnshire to fund the provision of home security equipment at the homes of vulnerable victims of domestic violence, burglary and targeted offending linked to hate crime.

Additionally the trustees were informed that the Humberside Crimestoppers Board which had been established through the Trust to reflect the regionalisation of Crimestoppers nationally was now financially viable, operational and planning a number of campaigns to assist in the detection of offences of concern to the community.

Director of the Tribune Trust Geoff Ogden said “the seven awards together with the Crimetoppers work is sharply focussed on our objectives of citizenship, sport, vulnerable victims, substance misuse, repeat offenders, reducing and detecting crime”

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