**SUMMARY DECISION SHEET**

**Purpose:** Commissioner Decision – Ref.DLl316

**Timing:** Singular

**Title:** Paws on Patrol 2023-24

**Category of Decision / Business Area Impact:** Finance

**Executive Summary:**

Following a successful pilot in Pembrokeshire during 2022-23 (DL|284) Dyfed Powys Police and Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service are working together to launch a ‘Paws on Patrol scheme’ across the Dyfed Powys region.

The aim is to encourage dog walkers to help fight against crime and antisocial behaviour by reporting and gathering evidence whilst out walking their pets.

The scheme is promoted by the arson reduction team of Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service and Dyfed Powys Neighbourhood Policing Teams.

Positive working relationships are developing with National Parks and Heritage Watch to extend this scheme wider.

Members will receive a welcome pack and bi-monthly newsletters with information and crime prevention advice.  The funding will be used to help pay for welcome packs and banners to promote the service within the community and at local events.   The Paws on Patrol banner will be promoted by fire / police / dog warden/ community council at local events to encourage membership and engagement.

The service supports the Preventing Harm priority of the Police and Crime Plan and aligns with the value of engaging widely by promoting and developing greater community involvement in policing.

**Recommendation:**

To approve the funding of £3,745.00 to support the regional rollout of Paws on Patrol scheme from the Sale of Found Property fund.

**Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Nolan Principles for Conduct in Public Life.

The above request has my approval.

**Signature:**  **Date:28/09/23**