

# LANPAC

## Annual Report

### 2023/24



# Chairman's Report

## **It has been another busy and successful year for this unique Charity.**

We have dealt with a steady stream of applications submitted by Police employees from all parts of Lancashire, and once again, our commitment to turning round the majority of applications within 5 working days has proved to be extremely popular. This helps to strengthen the links between front line staff and their local communities by allowing local problems to be addressed without any delay. This is thanks to a well-oiled process involving our full-time staff and the enthusiastic participation of a group of Board Members who have volunteered their commitment to assess applications and make their recommendations as soon as they are received. The process ensures that applications for funding fit within the overall aims of the Charity, and also that opportunities for match funding are fully explored by involving other agencies working in partnership with LANPAC. This adds significantly to the value of the projects which we support.

We have continued to support a range of free to attend events, and added a new programme of Webinars, some funded solely by LANPAC, and others in collaboration with Lancashire Constabulary, Lancashire Police & Crime Commissioner, and external partners operating in the Crime Prevention field. These enable us to provide the latest advice and guidance on countering emerging threats to our member organisations, and to the wider public. Further details of the range of initiatives can be found in the following pages.

As will be detailed later in this Annual Report, one of the highlights of the annual calendar is the High Sheriff's Young Citizen Awards Ceremony, held at Police Headquarters. LANPAC Staff organise this event on behalf of the current High Sheriff, and, by showcasing the wealth of unsung citizenship which is displayed by so many young people, day in and day out across this county, the Awards act as a counterbalance to the many initiatives which we fund relating to Youth Offending and Anti-Social Behaviour.

In addition to our overall commitment to making the public of Lancashire safer, the Board Members have devoted considerable time and effort to the internal Governance Review which I reported on in the last Annual Report. Using the Guidance issued by the Charities Commission, four working Groups of Board Members have been examining a number of key areas which we anticipate will enable LANPAC to provide a better service in the future, and that work is well advanced and on track with a number of recommendations.

Chief Constable Chris Rowley, who had been a strong supporter of the Charity since he took up post in 2019, took his retirement at the end of March 2024. We are pleased to welcome Sacha Hatchett as his successor as Chief Constable, who joins the LANPAC Board. In her previous role as Deputy Chief Constable, Sacha was already committed to the Charity's work and has intimated that the strong relationship between the Constabulary and LANPAC will continue during her term of office.

So, as we move forward into 2024 and beyond, I can report that LANPAC is in good health and continues to flourish in its purpose of being a valuable asset in supporting Lancashire Constabulary's work to make this county a safe place to live and to do business.

## **David Smith OBE LANPAC Chairman**





# Lancashire Partnership Against Crime (LANPAC)

## Reducing crime & increasing safety across Lancashire



Lancashire Partnership Against Crime (LANPAC) is a unique collaboration between Lancashire Constabulary, Lancashire Businesses, and Public Services working together to reduce levels of crime and disorder across the county.

The Partnership is a registered charity, and its primary role is to support various crime prevention and community safety initiatives throughout Lancashire submitted by Lancashire Constabulary employees on behalf of the community.

On average, our work allows one new crime reduction project to begin almost every week. Addressing issues such as safeguarding the elderly, combatting crime and substance abuse, minimising street robbery and burglary, enhancing public confidence in safety, and offering diverse educational and recreational opportunities to help young people lead safe, productive lives.

## Our funding

LANPAC funding provides a significant addition to community safety and prosperity, making a real difference to the community of Lancashire.

Funds are raised through various activities and the membership fees from our members. LANPAC members represent the complete spectrum of Lancashire's businesses and public services, including local authorities, national companies with branches in the county, small local firms, places of worship, and even sole traders.

No organisation is too large or small and our graduated system of membership fees is designed to ensure that no one is excluded.

## The best of Lancashire

We believe that our members exemplify the best of Lancashire; people who understand the importance of corporate social responsibility and its growing impact, both on their working environment and the way they themselves are perceived by their customers.

## LANPAC Membership

As a LANPAC member, you can make a real difference in your community. As well as 100% of your membership fee going towards initiatives in Lancashire, you can also benefit from:

- Complimentary invitations to crime and community safety conferences.
- Networking and exhibiting opportunities.
- Direct link to member organisations via the LANPAC website.
- Use of LANPAC logo on marketing materials.
- Regular emails with crime prevention advice.
- Endorsement by association with the county's leading public services and businesses.





# Thank you

The generosity of LANPAC members has helped us support 1000's of projects, to reduce crime and disorder in Lancashire.



- ACEntertainments
- Albert Harrison & Co
- APN Property
- Al Nour Memorials
- Barnacre-with-Bonds Parish Council
- Booker Wholesales
- Boost Business Lancashire
- BAE Systems
- Bauer Media Group
- Beaverbrooks
- Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council
- Blackburn Business Improvement District
- Blackpool Council
- Blackpool Town Centre Business Improvement District
- Blues & Twos Credit Union
- Burnley Borough Council
- Burnley Business Improvement District
- Business Insight 3
- Broughton Parish Council
- British Transport Police
- Carnforth Town Council
- Casdon
- Carrs Jewellers
- Cavity Extraction
- Collins & Sons Locksmiths
- Clitheroe Town Council
- Connor Finance Corporation
- Colne Business Improvement District
- Colne Town Council
- Community & Business Partners
- Complete Convey Property Lawyers
- Charles Taylor Auctioneers
- Churchill Support Services
- Clifton Homecare
- Durasak
- DeterTech
- East Lancashire Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Enterprise4all (Northwest)
- Evans Vanodine
- Excellence For All
- Farmhouse Biscuits
- Freckleton Parish Council
- Fleetwood Town Council
- Full Circuit Fire & Security
- Fylde Borough Council
- Garage Doors Lancashire
- Garstang Town Council
- G24
- Gifts 2 Impress
- Glasdon Group
- Greenway Electrical
- Grimsargh Parish Council
- Harwoods Mobiles
- Hyndburn Borough Council
- Hive Business Network
- H & A Protection Services
- Holker Network Solution
- ICT Reverse
- Iceland Foods
- James Hall & Co
- JNE Security
- Juniper
- Lancashire Boys & Girls Clubs
- Lancashire Constabulary
- Lancashire County Council
- Lancashire Combined Watch Forum
- Lancashire Crimestoppers
- Lancashire Digital Skills Partnership
- Lancashire Fire Rescue Service
- Lancaster City Council
- Lancs Security
- LCM Environmental
- Lifeline Language Services
- Ludus Dance
- Littoralis
- Link Security NW
- Maxi Fire & Security
- MyChef Meals on Wheels
- Maple Grove Developments
- M Zahid Travel
- Masjid-E-Salaam
- Murray & Rose
- Morecambe Business Improvement District
- Morgan Sindall Construction
- National Association of Retired Police Officers (NARPO) - Preston & District Branch
- National Farmers Union
- North & Western Lancashire Chamber of Commerce
- North West Cyber Resilience Centre
- North Shore Business Group
- Office of the Police Crime Commissioner for Lancashire
- Oliver & Partners
- Onsite UK
- Partington's Holiday Parks
- Parbold Parish Council
- PAL Security Systems
- PM & M Solutions for Business LLP
- Preston City Council
- Preston Business Improvement District
- Preston Vocational Centre
- Preston North End Community & Education Trust
- Preesall Town Council
- Progress Housing Group
- Protect Security Systems
- Peter Jackson the Jewellers
- PSL Print Management
- Pinnacle Response
- Recycling Lives
- Retailers Against Crime
- Ribble Valley Borough Council
- Ridehalgh Chartered Accountants
- Runshaw College
- Safer Handling
- S.A.S Rights
- Scope Fire & Security
- Stortec Engineering
- SQ Digital
- Selectamark Security Systems
- Secure Empty Property & Countryside Landowners Security
- Secured By Design
- Sesame Portastile
- Serconnect
- SentrySIS
- Shout Network
- Solon Security
- Stonehouse Orion
- Stonehouse Homes
- Strawberry Fields Training
- Suresite Group
- ShopSafe
- St Anne's on The Sea Town Council
- Tactical Security Options
- The Sophie Lancaster Foundation
- The Gujarati Sunni Muslim Society
- Pan Lancashire Anti-Slavery Partnership
- Thorne Access & Security
- TrueCall
- The Lockshop
- Trading Standards Lancashire
- UK K9 Security Group
- Up Holland Parish Council
- University of Central Lancashire
- VARS Technology
- Westmorland Fire & Security
- Wyre Borough Council
- West Lancashire Borough Council
- Woodplumpton Parish Council
- Winmarleigh Parish Council
- Westby-with-Plumptions Parish Council
- 24/7 Fire & Security Protection
- 1st Look Fire & Security Systems
- 2SeeTV

# The Shrievalty Rose Bowl

## PCSO Liz Coleman, Operation Sunshine

Every year the High Sheriff of Lancashire examines LANPAC's successful applications for funding, selecting the one they consider will make the biggest impact on crime reduction and community safety with the winner being presented the Shrievalty Rose Bowl.

In the last 12 months LANPAC supported over 100 projects, so it has been very difficult in selecting the one considered the best.

This year the High Sheriff has chosen Operation Sunshine, a project by PCSO Liz Coleman, from Chorley Police and Donna Tuccio, Public Protection Officer at Chorley Council.

After reports of increasing anti-social behaviour and crime committed by young people in the town, Chorley's Neighbourhood Policing Team worked alongside Chorley Council's Public Protection team on the operation.

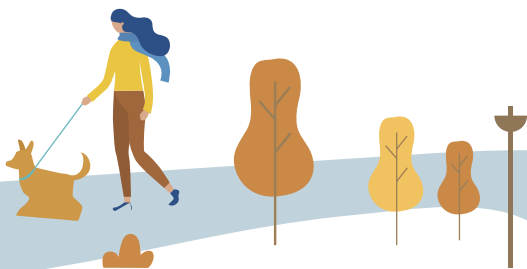
Through funding provided by LANPAC, Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner Andrew Snowden, Chorley Football Club and Chorley Council, the project team offered a series of two-hour diversionary sessions each week throughout the six-week summer holidays, engaging with over 400 young people across Chorley.

They also carried out activities during the October and February half-term holidays, engaging with around 40 young people each session.

Sessions involved various organisations – including the Preston North End Community and Education Trust and Chorley Football Club – and saw sports, games and activities delivered in anti-social behaviour hotspot areas.

As a result of the operation, crime and anti-social behaviour has fallen in the areas where the project was implemented.

Congratulations to Liz, a very worthy winner of the Shrievalty Rose Bowl.







# High Sheriff of Lancashire's Young Citizen Award 2024

## A 17-year-old boy from Blackburn has been named as Lancashire's Young Citizen of the Year 2024

Muhammed Karbhari topped the list of 50 young and inspiring people who have made real differences to their communities across the county over the last year. He was presented with the award at a ceremony held on Thursday 7th March at Lancashire Police Headquarters, Hutton.

Presenting Muhammed with his prize was the High Sheriff of Lancashire David Taylor, Assistant Chief Constable Karen Edwards, and Russell Millhouse from the University of Central Lancashire.

The ceremony heard that Muhammed founded Uniformity which started out as a student-led social enterprise at Tauheedul Islam Boys' School in Blackburn, helping parents and carers access affordable school uniforms whilst helping the planet and local community. Students would donate their old but well looked after uniform, the team would dry clean and iron, provide packaging and sell to the customers for an affordable price much cheaper than the new uniform.

Muhammed coordinates the dry cleaning, organising stock to get it to parents. With the enterprise growing, his team have set their sights on expanding to more schools in the area, planning to purchase their own dry-cleaning machine to reduce costs and upgrade the online platform to make it simpler to donate and purchase clothing.

The judging panel also selected a second and third place.

Saanvi Reddy, 15, from Blackburn was runner-up. Utilising her talents and training at the Junior Royal Northern College of Music, Saanvi has brought comfort and entertainment to patients, visitors, and staff across Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust through her beautiful violin recitals at Royal Preston Hospital.

In third place was the MAM (Masjid Al Momineen) Activity Camp in Blackburn with Safa Undre, 16, Simrah Undre, 13, Sahra Parker, 16 and Maria Muhammad, 11. This young leader's group has made significant contributions to the establishment of the kid's activity camp. There is a huge demand in the local area for initiatives that develop children's personal and social development. The sessions include engaging activities, such as, Arts and Crafts, Sports, General Knowledge Quizzes and Games.

The Bravery Award went to Evie Hobson, 10, from Fleetwood. Evie saved a man's life, after finding him unconscious on the street and contacting the emergency services, thankfully he survived.



# Conferences and Events

## Business Crime Conference

The 2023 Business Crime Conference, we held in partnership with Lancashire Constabulary and Retailers Against Crime, gathered over 150 attendees and showcased more than 20 exhibitors in Blackburn. The conference emphasised the significance of partnership working in combating business crime and shared valuable insights from retailers and police regarding current threats in the sector. Through knowledge exchange and collaboration, attendees gained a deeper understanding of effective strategies to address and mitigate business crime challenges, fostering a stronger and more resilient business community.



## Operation Makesafe Launch Event

Lancashire Constabulary launched a new initiative, Operation Makesafe, that aims to raise awareness of child exploitation within business sectors. The launch event featured guest speakers sharing their experiences and provided over 80 attendees with educational materials to implement in their workplaces. To access Operation Makesafe resources please visit the Lancashire Constabulary website.



## Muslim Bereavements Conference

In partnership with Lancashire Constabulary, we hosted a conference for the Muslim community in Lancashire to discuss the procedures and processes involved in Muslim bereavement. The conference, attended by over 100 delegates including community groups and mosque representatives, featured presentations from various professionals including a senior coroner, coroner's officer, religious leaders, and medical experts. The aim was to educate attendees about the roles of professional bodies and current protocols.





## Lancashire Cyber Crime Protect Conference

The Lancashire Cyber Crime Protect Conference, we held in collaboration with Lancashire Constabulary and Lancashire's Police and Crime Commissioner, attracted over 100 delegates. Attendees gained valuable insights into current cyber threats and learned effective strategies to safeguard themselves and their businesses. The event facilitated crucial knowledge sharing and collaboration in combating cyber crime within the community.



## Business Crime Conference 2024

The 2024 Business Crime Conference, we held in partnership with Lancashire Constabulary and Retailers Against Crime, gathered over 250 attendees and showcased more than 30 exhibitors in Blackpool. The primary objective was to educate businesses about the prevailing threats of business crime. Through collaborative efforts, the conference facilitated crucial knowledge dissemination and the implementation of proactive measures to enhance security within the business community.

Additionally, Lancashire Constabulary launched a new initiative, Operation Vulture, that is the Constabulary's response to shoplifting across the county. To access Operation Vulture resources please visit the Lancashire Constabulary website.

# Community Safety Projects- Highlights

**LANPAC support's various crime prevention and community safety projects throughout Lancashire submitted by the local police on behalf of the community. Approval was given to almost 100 applications for grants totalling just over £93,000, and which generated just over £100,000 of match funding.**

## Summer Kicks 2023

Summer Kicks 2023 was a collaborative effort between Lancashire Constabulary and Accrington Stanley Community Trust aimed at diverting youth from anti-social behaviour during the summer months. The program offered football-related activities, workshops, and seminars to engage young people, foster positive relationships with law enforcement, and promote social cohesion. Through this initiative, participants developed football skills, life skills, and meaningful connections within the community, contributing to a safer and more inclusive environment in Lancashire.



## What about us?

What About Us? launched in 2023 and it is a female-only group for ages 12-19 in the Blackburn with Darwen area. The purpose of the group is to raise awareness for women's safety and exploring the experiences and challenges presented living in Blackburn with Darwen.

The group has been in operation for a year, with 12 young women regularly attending the weekly session and working together to share to the wider community their objectives for What About Us?

They have created leaflets, distributed questionnaires, and handed out more than 500 panic alarms to members of the community.

## Drug Box Education

Local Neighbourhood Policing Teams across Lancashire have decoy drug boxes to facilitate interactive presentations in high schools aimed at raising awareness of drug safety. These decoy boxes simulate the appearance of real drugs, allowing officers to deliver impactful demonstrations on the dangers of substance abuse. Through these presentations, students receive vital education on recognising and avoiding harmful substances, empowering them to make informed choices for their well-being.





## Rural Security

Lancashire Constabulary initiated a project to combat the rising theft of agricultural equipment in rural communities. Through match funding from National Farmers Union and Ribble Valley Borough Council, the project facilitated the distribution of 350 alarms and safety signage to vulnerable members of the rural community. These measures aimed to protect valuable agricultural equipment and deter thefts, addressing the pressing need for enhanced security measures in the face of increasing theft incidents across the county. The collaborative effort underscored a commitment to safeguarding rural livelihoods and promoting crime prevention techniques in Lancashire.



## Operation Vulture

Operation Vulture is Lancashire Constabulary's response to shoplifting across the county. The operation will see dedicated officers undertaking hotspot patrolling, increasing their visibility in targeted areas, and creating strong partnerships with retailers across the county to better share intelligence, get a deeper understanding of retail crime and identify more offenders. As a part of this campaign, we have supported a number of assets, that aim to educate businesses and deter offenders.

Assets available:

- Leaflets which include crime prevention advice.
- A6 postcards on what to do if there is a shoplifter
- in the store, designed to be left by tills and used by staff.
- A4 posters to display in stores.
- Shelf wobblers to use in areas which might be targeted by shoplifters.
- Window stickers to be used in shop windows, on doors, on fridge doors or shelves by tills, wherever is the best fit for the business.

Officers will also be handing these out to local businesses on patrols. If you would like to access any of the above, please contact your local neighbourhood policing team or visit your nearest divisional headquarters.



## The Big Iftar Event 2023

The Big Iftar is a community engagement event held during Ramadan, aimed at celebrating diversity and inclusion. The event brings together people from various backgrounds to share in the spirit of unity and understanding. Through cultural exchange and communal dining, the initiative fosters a sense of belonging and strengthens social cohesion within the community.



# The Board Members

Chairman

**David Smith OBE**

Vice Chairperson

**Wendy Walker QPM**

## **DIRECTORS**

**John Barnett MBE DL** - Resigned June 2023

**Roger Berry LLB (Hons)**

**Phil Davidson BSc (Hons) MSc MAPM RPP**

**Ann Dean MBE DL**

**Adrian French**

**Graham Gooch**

**Dr Allison Jones BSc (Hons) MSc PhD MRSC MCSFS FHEA**

**Dennis Mendoros OBE DL**

**Russell Millhouse BA (Hons) MBA**

**Katherine O'Connor MBE**

**Suzana Sheldon-Edwards DL FCMI FRSA**

**Andrew Snowden**

**Eddie Walsh MBE**

**Altaf Yusuf**

## **FRIENDS OF THE BOARD**

**Martin Ainscough DL** - Resigned March 2024

**Helen Bingley OBE JP DL** - Appointed March 2024

**Andrea Challis DL** - Appointed March 2024

**Jon Doyle**

**Matt Hamer**

**Sacha Hatchett** - Appointed March 2024

**Jo Oliver**

**Chris Rowley** - Resigned March 2024

**David Taylor CBE DL**





# LANPAC Accounts

## The Lancashire Partnership Against Crime

### Consolidated Position

### Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

	£
<b>Income</b>	
Donations and legacies	99,552
Charitable activities	100
Trading activities	78,029
Investments	2,258
Total income resources	179,939
Expenditure	215,942
Deficit for the year	(36,003)
Reserves	Brought forward
	168,644
	132,641

<b>Balance sheet</b>	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>	1,384
<b>Current assets</b>	
Debtors	7,135
Cash at Bank	139,171
<b>Current liabilities</b>	
Amounts due within one year	(15,049)
Net assets	132,641
Represented by	
Unrestricted funds	126,932
Restricted funds	5,709
	132,641



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