

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer: Rebecca Bromley-Woods, GM VRU Education Lead

Subject:
Commissioning of the Manchester Art Gallery to Deliver the Art of Resilience primary school wellbeing project

Type of decision: Commissioned Service			
Deputy Mayor's decision		Chief Officer's decision	X

In all case this will need to be approved by the Director Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire.

<p>The decision is that:</p> <p>The Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit is to fund Manchester Art Gallery to support the continued delivery of the Art of Resilience project in partnership with the Greater Manchester Population Health team during the 2022/23 Academic Year (September 2022 until July 2023) The programme will be funded out of the VRU Serious Violence fund (Education delivery group budget line) worth £14,000.</p> <p><i>The GM VRU have previously funded Manchester Art Gallery £14,000 to support the Art of Resilience programme out of the 2021/22 Serious Violence funding via an exemption form due to the unique services provided by the Gallery. This totals the funding amount to £28,000</i></p>
<p>The reasons for the decision are:</p> <p>The Manchester Art Gallery and the Manchester Population Health team have worked collaboratively to co-create and test a wellbeing project - the Art of Resilience - piloted with Manchester primary school children in 2021/22. The project, focused on trauma informed practice is part of Manchester's ambition to be an ACE aware and trauma informed City.</p> <p>Following a successful implementation year with several primary schools the objective is to extend the offer to other primary schools in Manchester schools and the partners have approached the VRU to support the extension both financially and in the allocation of the project resources based on VRU dashboard data and GM contact network</p>

The learning and good practice has been shared with the GM ACEs and trauma group by means of evaluation and feedback from participating schools. The consensus is the project is valued and delivers against the VRU and Trauma group objectives.

This decision will contribute to priorities of the Greater Manchester strategy in the following ways:

This programme of work will impact all priorities in the [Standing Together plan](#) and priority seven of the [Greater Manchester Serious Violence Action Plan](#).

Procurement comments:

The GM VRU has produced an exemption form with the support of the GMCA Procurement team to commission The Manchester Art Gallery to deliver the “Art of Resilience” programme due to the unique services provided for the project.

A grant funding agreement will be developed between the GMCA/GM VRU and Manchester Art Gallery prior to the commencement of the above programme with the support of the GMCA Procurement and MCC legal teams

Financial comments:

The GM VRU will extend funding of £14,000 out of the 2022/23 VRU Serious Violence Education Delivery Group Budget Line. Funding commitments have been reviewed by the Education Delivery Group budget holder and subject to the GMCA procurement procedures.

Legal comments:

Any services or products procured through this programme will adhere to GMCA commissioning policy and EU rules on procurement and will require the support of the GMCA Procurement and MCC Legal Teams.

Risk Assessment:

Manchester Art Gallery will apply existing risk assessment to visitors attending the sessions.

The funding will need to be spent **by July 2023**. Any amount not spent under this allocation will be returned to the GM VRU and will be lost to implementing effective interventions and activity within Greater Manchester. The funded programme of work will be overseen by the Education Delivery Group

Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:
Manchester Art Gallery have supplied GM VRU with a copy of their safeguarding policy. Emma Carroll project manager has supplied DBS number.

Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered:
Although the project will not involve vulnerable adults this is covered as part of the safeguarding policy.

Agreed by Director – Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire



Signed... ..

Date...11th August 2022.....

Agreed by GMCA Treasurer



Signed

Date 11/08/2022

Agreed by Deputy Mayor

Only required for a Deputy Mayor Decision on amounts of £50,000+

Signed:

Date: