

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer: Dave Byrne

Subject:	
Funding for North West Crimestoppers Regional Manager	

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

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

The decision is that:

To provide a total of £42,000 (ex VAT) over the next three years to fund the North West Crimestoppers Regional Manager post. The post will be joint funded by North West Police and Crime Commissioners. The Greater Manchester contribution will be as follows: 2023/24: £14,000, 2024/25: £14,000, 2025/26: £14,000.

The reasons for the decision are:

Previously, Crimestoppers have been able to fund the Regional Manager post through contributions raised through the charity, however as contributions have decreased, PCCs in the North West Region have been approached directly to joint fund the post if they wish to see it continue, as other PCCs do in other regions nationally. North West PCCs jointly funded the post between 2020/23. This funding secures continued funding for the post over the next three years.

The funding is fundamental to continuing the position of the Regional Manager (RM) and implementing the crime reduction strategy. The positive results include:

- Over the last three years community intelligence given to Crimstoppers in the North West has risen from 29,063 reports per year between 2018-2019 to 33,101 in 2021/2022. (12,750 reports, increased from 11,041 in Greater Manchester).
- The Crimestoppers website has been viewed over 200,000 times by GM residents in the last 12 months (up from 162,000 the previous year.



 The RM manages over a number of TV and radio campaigns each year across the region (with a value of around £228,605 – at no cost to police forces or PCCs).

Comments have been sought from Greater Manchester Police who value to work of the post and have plans to develop future work with assistance of the post should funding be approved.

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

The decision supports the Standing Together Police and Crime Plan and the Greater Manchester Strategy (specifically enabling resilient, safe, and vibrant communities) by reducing offending, tackling antisocial behaviour and dealing with organised crime.

Financial comments:

The funding will be awarded from the Community Safety budget and there are sufficient funds to do so.

Legal comments:

HR advice has previously been sought regarding the employment of the post, with no concerns outstanding.

Procurement comments:

Grant funding, representing only partial contribution to Crimestopper's cost recovery. No procurement concerns.

Risk Assessment:

Updates on the effectiveness of the post will be provided through quarterly reports directly to PCCs and through updates at future meetings of the North West Joint Oversight Committee.

A grant agreement will also be produced for review and monitoring purposes.



N/A
Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered: N/A
Agreed by Director – Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire
Signed
Date17 th March 2023
Agreed by Treasurer, Greater Manchester Combined Authority
Signed:
Date: 21/03/2023
Agreed by Deputy Mayor
Signed:

Date: 23rd March 2023

Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

