

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer: James Carrick, Project & Policy Officer, VRU GMCA

Subject: Travel for VRU Victims Champion		
Type of decision: Funding Agreement		
Deputy Mayor's	Chief Officer's	X
decision	decision	

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

The decision is that:

The Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit are seeking to make the following payment for Travel to a Serious Violence Duty Policing Conference:

Click Travel

A payment to be made of £116.49 to book return train tickets from Manchester to Birmingham and 1 night's hotel accommodation in Birmingham for the VRU Victims' Champion. These are standard fare day return tickets.

The reasons for the decision are:

The Serious Violence Duty 2022 came into effect in January 2023, placing statutory responsibilities on specified authorities within each PCC area to work together to tackle the root causes of serious violence. This event is intended as a launch to bring together lead officers from VRU's and specified authorities across the country to dpresent and discuss best practice regarding implementation of the duty. The GM VRU is coordinating the 10 GM CSPs' implementation of the Seirous Violence Duty as per the Deputy Mayor's agreement at the February 2023 Violence Reduction Governance Board, and therefore the VRU Victim's Champion (accompanying the VRU Director & Programme Manager as published in another recent travel Decision Notice) is best placed to attend the event and report on outcomes to the 10 GM CSPs. This Decision Notice covers funding for travel to the event; tickets to the event are free of charge.



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

The the events hosted by the VRU will impact all priorities in the <u>Greater Manchester Serious Violence Action Plan</u>.

Procurement Comments:

No procurement issues raised due to the low funding amount for the above payments. Click Travel are the GMCA's preferred Travel provider.

Financial comments:

A one off Payment will be made upon receipt of an invoice from Click Travel and will be funded out of the 2022/23 Serious Violence funding (VRU Staffing- Travel budget line)

Legal comments:

No legal concerns were raised due to the above payment being a low funding amount

Risk Assessment:

No risks identified – Click Travel are the GMCA's preferred Travel supplier and are known for providing reliable and quality services.

Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:
Safeguarding of children and young adults is paramount to the violence reduction work, both as potential victims and perpetrators of serious violence. The above event will welcome various partners ranging from health and the communities, with the intentions of discussing how the Government's Serious Violence Duty can tackle SV for children and young adults across GM via best practice implementation

Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered:

Noted above

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



