

DECISION NOTICE

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

Subject: Travel for VRU Victims Lead March 2024
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Type of decision: Funding Agreement
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Deputy Mayor's decision		Chief Officer's decision	X
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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 covering travel & accommodation for the following Hope Hack & YMCA Events on Wednesday 27th and Thurs 28th March 2024:

Click Travel

A payment to be made of £346.78 to cover travel (train from Manchester to Milton Keynes, standard return fare for 1 person). The attendee is the VRU Victims Lead.

27th March - Attend Milton Keynes Hope Hack with specific themes around mental wellbeing (to consider similar here in GM for the future)

28th March - Half day with YMCA and introduction to their 'transitions' programme supporting those exiting custody or from alternative education provision into training / employment / housing.

The reasons for the decision are:

Hope Hack brings together young people from across a region to share their views, thoughts, and ideas on how to make their region a safer and fairer place. This event will bring together young people aged 13-21 and from a range of backgrounds.

The views collected from young people at Hope Hack events across the country, will go on to form the basis of a new report, 'Reimagined', produced by the Hope Collective. It will be presented to political parties for consideration as they produce their manifestoes ahead of the next General Election. This ground-breaking report will outline what young people would like to see happen to make the UK a better place to live and grow up in.

The YMCA event aligns with several commitments made within the Greater Than Violence strategy and consultation arising from the implementation plan that will sit under the strategy. The VRU is keen to facilitate partnership work that support effective transitions from custody and/or education into further training/employment and the victims lead is attending to bring eLearning back from the YMCA event to GM.

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

The events hosted by the VRU will impact all priorities in the [Greater Manchester Serious Violence Action Plan](#).

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 2023/24 Serious Violence funding (VRU Staffing- Travel & Other 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.

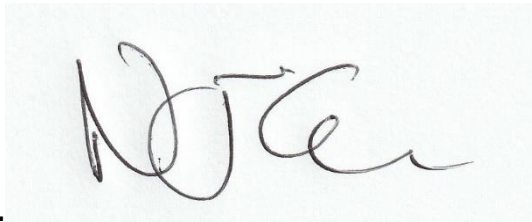
Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

Safeguarding of children and young adults is paramount to violence reduction work, both as potential victims and perpetrators of serious violence. The above event will bring together representative from multiple VRU's, ensuring programmes of work to tackle serious violence can be improved by collecting the views of young people. All attendees have DBS clearance.

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

Noted above. Click Travel have a Modern Slavery Statement.

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



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Date...13th March 2024.....

Agreed by GMCA Treasurer

Signed.....

Date.....

Agreed by Deputy Mayor

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

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Date: