

DECISION NOTICE

**Decision author and proposer: Rachel Jenner, VRU Clinical Lead
James Carrick, VRU Project & Policy Officer**

Subject: VRU Funding for UniteHer Event July 2024

Type of decision: Budget/financial

Deputy Mayor's decision	X	Chief Officer's decision	
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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 GM VRU wishes to pay the following organisations for their services during the UniteHER event on Saturday 6th July 2024 at Hideout sports hall:

- ▼ StreetDoctors: £400 – For the delivery of the lifesaving skills sessions for the attendees of the event
- ▼ KitLocker: £364.24 - For the provision of UniteHer branded t-shirts for the participants of the event (50 T-Shirts)
- ▼ ToughCookies: £285 - For the Delivery of Healthy Relationship sessions for the attendees of the event
- ▼ Hideout: £250- For venue costs

Total amount: £1,299.24

In financial years 22/23 & 23/24, the VRU made similar financial contributions to 3 the organisations listed above for the UniteHER event the previous VRU Population Health Fellow hosted on Saturday 25th June 2022 and again in 2023. The financial contributions were for the same provision as those noted above and are outlined below cumulative across 22/23 and 23/24:

Streetdoctors- £800

Kitlocker- £821.95

Tough Cookies- £570

The reasons for the decision are:

On Saturday 6th July 2024, the Clinical Lead for the GM VRU will host the UniteHER event at Hideout sports hall. UniteHER is a female only social event aimed to bring girls ages 11-16years old with inspirational female role models in professions that they may initially have hesitancy about (i.e. Police, doctors, social workers, emergency responders...). The event aims to improve communication and relationships between them by using sport and learning workshops to unite the groups together. UniteHER will partner with the Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit and England Netball.

The event involves netball skills sessions delivered by England Netball followed by a Q&A with a professional netball player and lunch. The afternoon sessions involved the delivery of 2 workshops; lifesaving skills session delivered by StreetDoctors and a session on understanding healthy relationships, delivered by Tough Cookies, a Trafford Domestic Abuse Service.

The GM VRU has agreed to provide one-off funding for the services provided by the above organisations during the event out of the 2024/25 Serious Violence Fund (Health & Wellbeing Budget Line)

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

This programme of work will impact the following GM Strategies

- All four priorities in the [Standing Together plan](#)
- All priorities of the [Greater Than Violence Strategy](#).
- The [GM Integrated Health And Justice Strategy](#)

Financial comments:

One-off funding will be paid to the above organisation on receipt of an invoice. Payments will be funded out of the 2024/25 Serious Violence Fund, "Health and Wellbeing Delivery Group" budget line.

Legal comments:

No issues due raised to low funding amount.

The GM VRU would need to seek further support/advice from the GMCA Procurement and MCC legal teams should they wish to procure the above services again in the future over and above GMCA PCC procurement thresholds.

Procurement comments:

As noted above, no procurement issues have been raised due to the small funding amount awarded to each organisation. The GM VRU would need to seek further procurement advice should they wish to award further funding to the above organisations over and above GMCA PCC procurement thresholds.

Risk Assessment:

The above organisations are trusted by the GMVRU and its partners to deliver high quality services. All relevant due diligence was carried out by the event organiser, the VRU's Clinical Lead, prior to seeking their services.

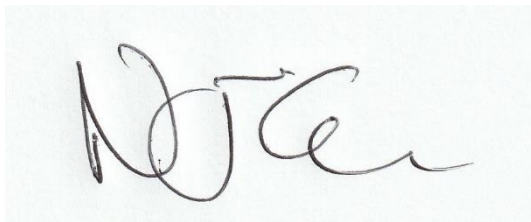
Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

The safeguarding of girls was at the forefront when designing the event. As noted above, the event is aimed at improving communication and relationships for girls aged 11-16 years old through sport and learning workshops.

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

N/A – the event is aimed at girls aged 11-16.

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



Signed:

Date: 6th June 2024

Agreed by GMCA Treasurer

Signed:

Date:

Agreed by Deputy Mayor

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

Signed:

Date:

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