

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer: Glenn Nash

Subject/ Title:
Embedding Youth Voice into Child Centred Policing: Supporting the development and delivery of CYP Police panels in each of the ten GM areas.

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

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

<p>The decision is that:</p> <p>A total funding envelope of £10,000* be agreed to be shared equally among each of the ten GM area youth services, to support and maintain youth service facilitated CYP police panels/forums.</p> <p>*£1,000 to each GM Local Authority Youth Service.</p>
<p>The reasons for the decision are:</p> <p>Improved, meaningful and consistent engagement between children and young people and the police is one of the key outcomes of the GMP Child Centred Policing strategy and the GM Youth Justice Transformation Delivery Board. To help achieve this, we recently held a workshop event in Oldham, involving youth service representatives and GMP colleagues from across GM on June 14th, 2024.</p> <p>We set up this workshop with the aim of bringing together GM partners from youth service agencies and each GMP district to share best practice in developing truly child centred police scrutiny panels across each of the ten GM areas.</p> <p>The four key principles of the Young Person Scrutiny Panel are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Young person led 2. Facilitated by youth service agencies. 3. GMP involvement and investment. 4. Follows the Lundy Model of Participation.

Following the event, we have now provided an exemplar Terms of Reference; guiding scope and principles, and general FAQ, to assist youth sector partners in establishing their own forums. There will be a follow up workshop event, to be held in November to “check in” and discuss progress/challenges etc and to continue to provide support.

Providing each GM area with £1000 will help go towards the maintenance costs of each forum: transport, refreshments, resources etc. To ensure that the children and young people are never out of pocket for attending and are provided with appropriate food/drinks.

A key aim of the panels, as well as to help improve the relationships and understanding between CYP and the police, is to gather CYP’s views about certain issues and common themes around policing and community safety.

This feedback will be collected and collated by the youth sector partners and shared with colleagues from GMCA/VRU/GMP and GM partners. The hope is that this will help inform policy, practice and the forums can be used as a vehicle for children and young people’s voices, that will be captured in an ongoing capacity.

The ten heads of GM youth services have been sent emails outlining the expectations around this additional funding and a further communication will go out prior to the follow up workshop event in November 24, outlining the following;

Confirming that a CCP Youth Voice forum is established in the specific GM local authority area.

That the funding is used to facilitate and maintain the forums

The timescale for setting up is by March 2025

That feedback and data is collected and collated to inform local CCP practice and to support potential further funding opportunities (YEF, etc).

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

The funding supports the commitments within the Greater Manchester Strategy by enabling: ...resilient, safe, and vibrant communities where everyone has access to essential services, with local centres and high streets which are successful and reflective of their populations, and access to high quality leisure spaces.

The funding also directly supports the Standing Together Police and Crime Plan 2022-2025, in particular Priority 1: Keeping people safe and supporting victims, and Priority 2: Reducing harm and offending.

Procurement comments:

No Procurement concerns. This decision represents the granting of funds to the local authorities within Greater Manchester. Those authorities then become the Contracting Authorities for the purposes of relevant Procurement regulation. However, one divided on that basis, spend by individual authority will be at a very low level.

Financial comments:

£1,000 to be funded via VRU Home Office Core Grant Funding 2024/25 Staffing Budget Line to each of the 10 Greater Manchester Local Authorities, totalling £10,000

Legal comments:

N/A

Risk Assessment:

Improved engagement between children and the police is one of the key outcomes of the Youth Justice Transformation Delivery Board. This event is crucial to helping us achieve that goal. The development and progress of each of the GM Youth Service Youth Voice Forums will be monitored by CCP Leads (Richard Timson and Glenn Nash). A follow up GM workshop is scheduled to take place in November to establish progress, funding allocation, challenges, etc.

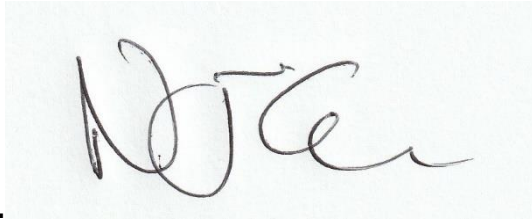
Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

NA

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

NA

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



Signed...
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Date...31st July 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:

Contact Officer: