

**DECISION NOTICE**

**Decision author and proposer:** Sian Payne, Senior Policy and Partnership Officer, GMCA

<b>Subject/ Title:</b>
<b>NGO Forum Venue Hire</b>

<b>Type of decision: Financial</b>			
<b>Deputy Mayor's decision</b>		<b>Chief Officer's decision</b>	<b>X</b>

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

<p><b>The decision is that:</b></p> <p>£385 be allocated to Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce as a venue for the September Greater Manchester Anti-Trafficking and Slavery Forum.</p>
<p><b>The reasons for the decision are:</b></p> <p>The NGO Forum is an active network of VCSE and public sector organisations who engage with each other, and Challenger, to share information and build the capacity of all members to identify and tackle modern slavery and human trafficking. Internal organisation venues are unavailable for the September 2024 meeting, and we have sourced an external venue to enable this key networking event to take place, in support of delivery of Programme Challenger objectives.</p>
<p><b>This decision will contribute to priorities of the Greater Manchester strategy in the following ways:</b></p> <p>This programme of work supports delivery of the Greater Manchester Strategy providing a platform for a range of organisations to come together to support safe and resilient communities.</p> <p>Priority One of the Standing Together Police and Crime Plan will be delivered through this decision, by equipping staff who work with vulnerable victims to better identify where they are experiencing harm.</p>

<b>Procurement comments:</b>  Low value only, no procurement issues arising.
<b>Financial comments:</b>  This will be funded out of the Programme Challenger 2024/25 budget cost code 3015.
<b>Legal comments:</b>  There are no legal considerations.

<b>Risk Assessment:</b>  There are no known risks associated with this expenditure.
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<b>Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:</b>  Organisations who engage with the NGO Forum have a range of responsibilities, including safeguarding children.
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<b>Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered:</b>  Organisations who engage with the NGO Forum have a range of responsibilities, including safeguarding vulnerable adults.
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**Agreed by Director – Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire**

Signed 

Date **15<sup>th</sup> August 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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