

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer: Julie Casanova, Senior Policy & Partnership Officer at GM Complex Safeguarding Hub

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| Subject/ Title: |
| Catering Expenses for the Complex Safeguarding Child Exploitation Conference for the Wider Workforce |

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| 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.

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| <p>The decision is that:</p> <p>GMCA Complex Safeguarding wishes to pay £2,712 for the provision of food and refreshments at the Complex Safeguarding Child Exploitation Conference for the Wider Workforce.</p> |
| <p>The reasons for the decision are:</p> <p>In light of the forthcoming publication of the Greater Manchester Complex Safeguarding Strategy for 2024-2027, and in partnership with GMP, Programme Challenger and the Violence Reduction Unit, the GM Complex Safeguarding Hub is organising a Child Exploitation conference for the wider workforce.</p> <p>Tackling child exploitation and extra-familial harm requires everyone to play their part and to work as a joint system. As such, the launch of this strategy is a call for action, as well as an opportunity to ensure that frontline professionals across all sectors are appropriately equipped to support complex safeguarding teams through early identification, information-sharing, safeguarding, and multiagency disruption.</p> <p>With the support of the Deputy Mayor, who will be opening one of the 4 events, the conference will aim to support this strategic vision by upskilling non-specialist frontline professionals.</p> <p>The event will cover a range of key exploitation-related topics e.g. language, neurodiversity, trauma, child-centred approaches, lived experience, multiagency disruption, online harms, identities, the overlap between CCE & CSE, and the role of girls in County Lines. These thematics</p> |

were selected in response to the training needs identified during our latest weeks of action.

To maximise reach, the content of the conference will be repeated across 4 days (listed below). Each iteration of the event will take place in person, at GMP Sedgley Park Training Centre in Prestwich, M25 0JT. The dates are the following:

- September 10th (first iteration)
- September 12th (second iteration)
- October 15th (third iteration)
- October 16th (fourth iteration)

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

This conference input directly aligns with the vision, priorities, and workforce development objectives outlined in the 2024-2027 GM Complex Safeguarding Strategy.

Procurement comments:

No procurement issues raised due to the low funding amount.

Financial comments:

A one-off Payment of £2,712 will be made to GMP Sedgley Park from the Complex Safeguarding Budget (Deputy Mayor Investment Fund).

Legal comments:

No legal concerns were raised due to the low funding amount.

Risk Assessment:

No risks identified.

Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

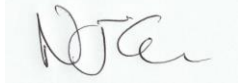
N/A.

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

Noted above.

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

Signed



Date 22nd August 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: