

DECISION NOTICE

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

Subject: Research in Practice to support the GM Complex Safeguarding Hub with implementing the Tacking Child Exploitation Partnership Self-Assessment Tool

Type of decision: Funding Agreement

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: GMCA Complex Safeguarding wishes to pay £2,010 from the Complex Safeguarding Budget (Deputy Mayor Investment Fund) to pay for support from Research in Practice to implement their Tackling Child Exploitation (TCE) partnership self-assessment tool as part of the revised peer review methodology.

The reasons for the decision are:

The GMCA Complex Safeguarding hub wishes to obtain Research in Practice's support with using this resource as part of a pilot with Wigan and Manchester councils (revised approach to peer reviews). This tool will enable local multi-agency partnerships to reflect on eight evidence-led Practice Principles and consider the extent to which these are already present within local responses to child exploitation and extra-familial harm. It aims to support multi-agency partnerships at senior operational and strategic levels to hold constructive and honest conversations about behaviour and culture with a view to strengthening responses and multi-agency relationships.

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

This work aligns with the 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 £2,010 will be made to Research in Practice 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:

The Tackling Child Exploitation tool is recognized as nationwide evidence-led best practice, aiming to strengthen the safeguarding of children and adolescents in the context of criminal and sexual exploitation.

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

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Date.....

Agreed by Deputy Mayor

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

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Date:

Contact Officer: