

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer:

Jamie Fallon, Senior Policy and Partnership Officer, GMCA

Subject/ Title:
Challenger Budget – Greater Manchester Schools Competition

Type of decision: Financial			
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>Programme Challenger will allocate £9,000 to developing and delivering a Greater Manchester Schools Competition Pilot in collaboration with GM Complex Safeguarding Hub and locality complex safeguarding teams.</p> <p>The aim of the pilot would be to engage with young people aged 11-17 years old in developing ideas which could be pitched to a panel of experts in a dragon den style, with a view to developing creative ways to identify solutions to tackle and/or prevent child exploitation with children and young people.</p> <p>Participating students would improve their knowledge and awareness of exploitation, whilst also gaining valuable skills such as delivering presentations, working as a team, finance planning and undertaking research.</p> <p>In the first year, we acknowledge that not all schools will choose to engage in this work, but we hope that as the profile builds, and the approach is refined, there will be increased engagement across GM. The pilot schools involved will be helping us shape this pioneering approach to listening and responding to the voice of children and young people. If successful, the competition would become an annual event, providing an opportunity to listen to young people’s voices on wider social issues which link to exploitation.</p> <p>The reasons for the decision are:</p> <p>Programme Challenger are currently developing a Greater Manchester Schools Competition Pilot and will need funding to support its development and delivery which will encompass, funding to develop the winning idea, venue costs, awards, gift bags, and vouchers.</p>
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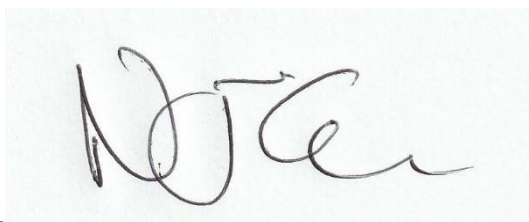
This decision will contribute to priorities of the Greater Manchester strategy in the following ways: This programme of work is aligned to the priorities outlined within the Standing Together Plan and aims of the Greater Manchester Serious Organised Crime Strategy. Furthermore, this project is also aligned to wider strategies including Complex Safeguarding.
Procurement comments: Procurement processes will be followed in full where applicable.
Financial comments: The allocation is from budget code 3015, from the challenger budget for 24/25.
Legal comments: There are no legal comments

Risk Assessment: Risk assessments are in place and will be reviewed regularly.
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Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered: The safeguarding of children, adolescents & young adults forms a golden thread throughout all Complex Safeguarding workstreams and this project will be fully risk assessed by safeguarding professionals.

Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered: Not relevant.

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



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Date...2nd October 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:

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