

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE FIRE AND CRIME PANEL

Date: 18th September 2023
Subject: Deputy Mayor Decision Notices in the period July – August 2023
Report of: Kate Green – Deputy Mayor for Police, Crime, Criminal Justice services and Fire

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to highlight decisions made by the Deputy Mayor in the period from July to August 2023.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Panel is requested to note the decisions made and whether any further information is requested in relation to decisions made.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Under Section 28(6) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 the Panel is obliged to review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, by the Deputy Mayor in connection with the discharge of the police and crime functions and, where necessary make reports or recommendations to the Deputy Mayor with respect to the discharge of those functions.
- 1.2 The Deputy Mayor is under a statutory obligation under the terms of the Specified Information Order to publish details of decisions of significant public interest. In more general terms under Section 13 of the 2011 Act, the Deputy Mayor is obliged to ensure that she provides the Panel with any information that it might reasonably require to allow it to carry out its functions. This would include the provision of information regarding decisions and actions, irrespective of whether they were to be of “significant public interest”.
- 1.3 In this respect, the GMCA publishes decisions made.

2.0 DECISIONS MADE IN THE PERIOD JULY TO AUGUST 2023.

- 2.1 Drawing on the information published on the GMCA website, a number of decisions have been made in the period July to August 2023.
- 2.2 Decisions made are set out below:

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| 22 nd Dec 2022 | To appoint firm TLT LLP to provide GMCA with commercial legal expertise to support through the first stage of a commissioning ITT exercise to award a contract for the Gateway multi-crime service for victims | PCC |
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| | <p>TLT LLP have quoted the below price which was selected as part of a 3-quote ranking selection exercise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of outline strategy - £4,004 • Review of contract notice and ITT - £15,000 • Review of contract documentation - £10,000 <p>Total £29,004 (plus VAT)</p> | |
| 20 th April 2023 | <p>Update to Decision Notice:</p> <p>Funded from the MOJ Victims funding, additional commercial/technical support is approved (outside of the scope of work original quoted by TLT PLC for £29,004) to the value of £14,000 (plus VAT)</p> <p>New Total: £43,004</p> | PCC |
| 5 th July 2023 | <p>The Deputy Mayor approves funding for the refresh of GMP's fleet of Body Worn Video (BWV) cameras and associated costs (replacement of the oldest 5,000 BWV cameras by 31 March 2024).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £2.141m in FY2023/24; and • £0.433m in each of FYs 2024/25, 2025/26, 2026/27 and 2027/28 <p>The required funding is part of a planned capital spend over five years of £3.871m.</p> | GMP |
| 7 th July 2023 | <p>Approval to fund a VRU hosted GM-wide Violence Reduction Strategy Community Consultation Event (titled 10GM- The Big</p> | PCC |

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| | Conversation) on Wednesday 19th July 2023. Taking place at Manchester Cathedral. Costs of up to £3000.00 to book event space for 150 attendees with refreshments. | |
| 7 th July 2023 | Funding of £519 be provided to Merseyside OPCC as Greater Manchester's contribution toward training costs for Legally Qualified Chairs and Independent Panel Members who sit on police misconduct panels. | PCC |
| 7 th July 2023 | <p>S.22 agreement for the North West Motorway Policing Group (NWMPG)</p> <p>NWMPG s22A Collaboration replaces a Collaboration Agreement dated 1st April 2016 under which Cheshire, Greater Manchester, Lancashire and Merseyside Police established a collaborative venture known as NWMPG. The aim of the collaboration is to provide support to the participating forces in achieving their objectives on the Strategic Road Network. A new collaboration agreement is required following the withdrawal of Lancashire Police from the collaboration, the establishment of the North West Commercial Vehicle Unit (NWCVU) to sit within the NWMPG and the remaining parties agreeing to continue with the NWMPG.</p> | PCC |
| 11 th July 2023 | The LGBT Foundation awarded £101,250 grant funding for the period 1st April 2023 – 31st December 2023 for the provision of services in support of the Greater Manchester Strategy and GM Standing Together plan priorities. | PCC |

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| <p>11th July 2023</p> | <p>The Deputy Mayor, through the use of the Home Office Safer Streets Fund, will fund the design and delivery of a range of improvements on the Fallowfield Loop and Yellow Brick Road. These improvements include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearance & Landscaping work along the Fallowfield Loop • Resurfacing works • Design and installation of new access points and signage along the route • Installation of new fencing, barriers and guard rails <p>The Home Office Safer Streets Fund 22/23 has a total budget of £453,080 and a grant agreement is place between the GMCA and the Home Office.</p> | <p>PCC</p> |
| <p>11th July 2023</p> | <p>Through the use of the Home Office Safer Streets Fund, funding for the purchase of five new data counters to be installed along the Fallowfield Loop and Yellow Brick Road.</p> <p>The Home Office Safer Streets Fund 22/23 has a total budget of £453,080 and a grant agreement is in place between the GMCA and the Home Office.</p> | <p>PCC</p> |
| <p>12th July 2023</p> | <p>A0404 – Medical Practitioners</p> <p>Approval to publish an open tender opportunity and subsequently award a Contract for the Provision of Selected Medical Practitioners for an initial 2-Year period, with the option to extend up to a further 2 years on an annual basis. The indicative spend over the full 4-year period would be circa £1million.</p> | <p>GMP</p> |

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| 13 th July 2023 | Approval for the payment of £785.83 for the hire of Haydock Racecourse for North Wales and North West Regional ICV Conference 16th September 23. | PCC |
| 13 th July 2023 | Funding of £1000 be made available for costs associated with Challenger Executive Board meetings, including catering and external venues. | PCC |
| 13 th July 2023 | Funding of £3576 is agreed to cover overspend in relation to Violence Reduction Unit Community Led Pilot grants. | PCC |
| 13 th July 2023 | Up to £1,000 is agreed to cover associated costs for conference and event attendance for Programme Challenger in Greater Manchester. This aim is to ensure knowledge of policy and projects in this area is maintained throughout the year. | PCC |
| 13 th July 2023 | The GM VRU awards OddArts £2,800 to work with Mero's World to produce a film about the dangers of knife crime, demonstrating to young people how to respond if they find someone who is bleeding. | PCC |
| 13 th July 2023 | The Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit to fund standard fare train tickets (from London to Manchester and Manchester to Birmingham) and 2 nights accommodation and reasonable expenses for the director and owner of Aviard Inspires CIC (Lived Experience of Serious Violence). The organisation's | PCC |

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| | <p>focus is dedicated to steering young people away from involvement with risky behaviour associated with serious violence.</p> <p>Click Travel - A payment to be made of £279.26 to cover 2 nights hotel accommodation in Manchester City Centre (standard rate, chain hotel), travel from London to Manchester and onward travel from Manchester to Birmingham.</p> <p>Aviard Inspires CIC - A payment to be made of £70.00 covering reasonable expenses for the Aviard director's stay in Manchester, costed at: £10 per day for lunch, £25 per day for evening meal.</p> | |
| 13 th July 2023 | <p>The GM Violence Reduction Unit awards Manchester Parents Group £2000 to fund increased capacity to provide support to vulnerable young individuals within the LGBTQ+ community who may be at risk of becoming victims or witnesses of serious violence and associated crime.</p> | PCC |
| 14 th July 2023 | <p>£70,550 is approved as a contribution towards an experiential learning package for GMP officers, enabled through Virtual Reality, to tackle racism, sexism and misogyny in policing in Greater Manchester.</p> <p>The learning package is focussed on tackling racism, sexism and misogyny in policing using virtual reality scenario-based situations played out by professional actors.</p> <p>The total cost of the funding package is £211,650 with one third being met by the Deputy Mayor and the remaining two thirds of</p> | PCC |

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| | funding being met from Force ARIS funding and the College of Policing. | |
| 17 th July 2023 | Transfers of up to £250,000 in order to GMP to deliver on 2023/24 requirements for the Home Office funded Western Balkans Serious and Organised Crime Community Coordinator programme in Bury. | PCC |
| 17 th July 2023 | <p>Funding of up to £240,000 is agreed to extend the contract for the Victims Assessment and Referral Services delivered by Victim Support. This is to cover the period of 1st July to the 31st of August 2023 as there has been a delay to the award of the contract whilst the final stages of the procurement ITT exercise are completed.</p> <p>This funding also includes the costs of the extension to independent consultant '2Novate' which has been aligned with this work and is required in order to oversee and advise on the projects conclusionary steps and the upcoming mobilisation for the new service.</p> <p>Victim Support: £227,402 2Novate consultancy: £10,000.</p> | PCC |
| 20 th July 2023 | Costs associated with the production of an end of term video for the former Deputy Mayor, Digit Eyes: £803.13. | PCC |
| 20 th July 2023 | £396 (£330 plus VAT) is agreed to provide police complaints and reviews training to three members of staff in the Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire Team at a one-day workshop. | PCC |

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| 20 th July 2023 | <p>Contract variation and associated costs of £30,249 is approved between the GM VRU and Manchester Metropolitan University (MMU) in relation to the existing Research & Evaluation contract.</p> <p>nb. The contract with MMU was agreed in October 2022, by the previous Deputy Mayor. The current Deputy Mayor, Kate Green holds the position of Governor for the MMU and has not taken part in this procurement process.</p> | PCC |
| 28 th July 2023 | <p>A0846 Electric Vehicle Salary Sacrifice Scheme A0994 Affordable Technology Salary Sacrifice</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves the direct award of two 3-year contracts for salary sacrifice schemes to lease electric vehicles and purchase technical products, to Northumbria Healthcare NHS FT. The likely value of 3 years spend, taken at source from salary, would be circa £8.3m.</p> | GMP |
| 28 th July 2023 | <p>A0985 Body Worn Video Hardware and Accessories</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves the direct award of a 1-year contract for Body Worn Video Hardware (BWV) and accessories to Axon Public Safety UK Ltd (Axon), with the option to extend for a further 1 year. The likely value of a two year spend would be circa £2.8 million.</p> | GMP |
| 28 th July 2023 | <p>A0964 The Provision Of Building Services Maintenance & Installation (HEVAC)</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor has given approval for the tender and award of a contract for the supply of Building Services Maintenance &</p> | GMP |

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| | Installation (HEVAC) using a Restricted Tender. The contract will be for 3 Years, with the option to extend for a further 2 years on an annual basis. The likely value of 5 years spend would be circa £7.5 Million. | |
| 28 th July 2023 | As part of mobilisation GMCA approves payment to Greater Manchester Women's Support Alliance (GMWSA) for the cost of Baseline Personnel Security Standard (BPSS), vetting associated with Information Assurance Standard for Small and Medium size Enterprises (IASME) and Cyber essentials to the amount of £25,892. | PCC |
| 28 th July 2023 | Approval for the award a contract to EY3 Media for content creation for the period August 2023 to April 2024. This contract will cover content provision for the VRU website, social media channels, and VRU events at a total cost of £49,000. | PCC |
| 28 th July 2023 | The Greater Manchester VRU will make the following payment for a VRU hosted training event: Friends Meeting House: A payment to be made of £289.58 to book a room at Friends Meeting House, Manchester for the Violence Reduction Experts by Experience Training Programme for people with lived experience of serious violence on Tuesday 22nd August 2023 as well as Teas & Coffees for the 15 meeting attendees. | PCC |
| 4 th August 2023 | £20,000 funding is agreed for the purpose of developing and writing of a plan for Men and Boys who are victims and/or survivors of gender-based violence – to sit underneath the GM | PCC |

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| | Gender Based Violence Strategy. The work will be delivered by Professor David Gadd at a day rate is £950 for 21 days work. | |
| 4 th August 2023 | <p>£15,000 funding is agreed for We are Survivors for the purpose of secretariat support for the development of a plan for Men and Boys who are victims and/or survivors of gender-based violence – to sit underneath the GM Gender Based Violence Strategy.</p> <p>We are Survivors will work in conjunction with Professor David Gadd who is leading on the development and writing of the strategy.</p> | PCC |
| 4 th August 2023 | Approval is given for payment of £2076.12 to Sattva Associates Limited for facilitation and support in establishing the GM Criminal Justice System Drug and Alcohol Operational Group. | PCC |
| 4 th August 2023 | <p>Project Simply is awarded £38,000 +VAT to deliver an online interactive video timeline tool for victims of crime which will help to demystify the criminal justice system process and answer frequently asked questions. The system will be designed to be fully accessible and easy to use on all browsers and devices.</p> <p>Project Simply have designed and scoped this concept in 2015 and GMCA are now in a position to fund and finalise the project to fit within the wider commissioned digital offer for victims of crime.</p> | PCC |
| 6 th August 2023 | Funding is agreed for IDVA/ISVA posts using the MoJ ringfenced IDVA/ISVA allocation for Greater Manchester in 2023/24 and 2024/25: | PCC |

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| | Funding for 3.5 posts is confirmed for this year and funding for retention of the posts for 2024/25 is indicatively confirmed (based on recruiting to the posts in 2023/24). Total value: £323,721 | |
| 6 th August 2023 | <p>£91,776 is agreed to contribute to costs for a dedicated social worker, within HMYOI Wetherby. This will enable the post to move from part time to full time and focus on working with young people from Greater Manchester within HMYOI Wetherby.</p> <p>Funding is for 3 years – 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 and the yearly split is as follows:</p> <p>£30,592 – 2023/24 £30,592 – 2024/25 £30,592 – 2025/26 Total: £91,776.</p> | PCC |
| 6 th August 2023 | The Big Life Group are awarded the contract to deliver Wellbeing Support Services for the Greater Manchester Integrated Rehabilitative Services programme. The period of the contract will be for 18 months, with one additional 12-month extension period available. Total cost: £8,950,000 | PCC |
| 10 th August 2023 | The GM VRU awards Bauer Media £150 to cover annual hosting and domain costs for the VRU website. | PCC |
| 10 th August 2023 | The oversight of the GMIRS contracts have identified funding to support the Women’s Support Alliance to develop its data and business development capacity to the value of £200,000. | PCC |

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| | The amount of £99,000 will be funded for 2023/24 and £101,000 for 2024/25 from GMIRS Wellbeing funding for 2023/24. | |
| 16 th August 2023 | Funding of £20,000 is agreed in order to engage Dame Vera Baird KC to conduct an independent inquiry into the experience of women and girls arrested and taken into police custody in GMP. The inquiry is likely to be concluded by the end of October 2023. | PCC |
| 16 th August 2023 | SATTVA will provide facilitation training on 24th February 2023 to Senior Management Team of Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire and Senior Management Team of Public Service Reform and then devise recommendations for strengthening the CA's culture at a cost of £1,200. | PCC |
| 16 th August 2023 | 1Message are awarded £2,000 to deliver an intervention at Ashton West Primary school by way of a 6-week group intervention programme. These sessions will last one hour per week and will be for 10 pupils per session, including a restorative justice intervention for key pupils as identified by the school. | PCC |
| 16 th August 2023 | Authorisation is given to invite bids, via an Expression of Interest procurement exercise, for delivery of a contract to enable the co-design of the communications, messaging and materials for the Youth Endowment Fund (YEF) - Another Chance programme up to the total cost of £20,000. | PCC |
| 16 th August 2023 | The GM VRU agrees to make the following payment for a VRU hosted event to take place at the Chamber of Commerce: £1000.00 for venue hire in order to host a national VRU learning | PCC |

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| | event for a maximum of 60 people. This will include unlimited refreshments and technical equipment. | |
| 16 th August 2023 | Funded from the MOJ Victims Budget, approval is given to further extend the contract with TLT LLP to provide GMCA with commercial legal expertise to the value of £3,883.00. This will ensure the provision of legal advice and support through the second and final stage of the commissioning ITT exercise to award a contract for the Gateway multi-crime service for victims. This is in addition to previous funding in December 2022 and April 2023. | PCC |
| 16 th August 2023 | As part of the GM VRU Prevention programme, £17,000 is awarded to Breaking Barriers CIC to deliver a 3-week tour of Crossing the Line around primary schools in Greater Manchester. | PCC |
| 23 rd August 2023 | The GM VRU agrees the following payment for a VRU hosted event, at Positive Steps, the site of the VRU's Youth Justice lead organisation, for members of and relevant partners of the VRU Criminal Justice Delivery Group. There are no associated venue costs, as Positive Steps will provide space free of charge. A payment to be made of £205.85 for provision of food and refreshments for 30 people from As Good As it Gets, an Oldham-based Catering Provider. | PCC |
| 23 rd August 2023 | Update to Decision Notice: The GM VRU have agreed to make the following payments for a VRU hosted GM-wide Violence Reduction Strategy Community | PCC |

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| | <p>Consultation Event (titled 10GM- The Big Conversation) on Wednesday 19th July 2023 at Manchester Cathedral.</p> <p>This is to replace a Decision previously signed on 07/07/2023 for a lower amount of £3000.00; final costs for the event were £3121 for 150 participants.</p> | |
| 30 th August 2023 | <p>An envelope of £62,352 is agreed to extend the contract for the Victims Assessment and Referral Services delivered by Victim Support. This is to cover the period of Friday 1st September to Sunday the 17th of September 2023.</p> | PCC |
| 30 th August 2023 | <p>Following the conclusion of competitive Invitation to Tender exercise for Greater Manchester Victim Services; GMCA 706 (DN 661552), provider 'Catch22 Charity Limited' be awarded a 3-year contract, with the service commencing in September 2023.</p> <p>Year 1 pricing (commencing 2023/24): £1,352,712</p> <p>Year 2 and 3 pricing (combined): £2,751,720</p> <p>TOTAL: £4,104,432</p> | PCC |

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS.

3.1 Appear at the front of the report