

FOR INFORMATION
GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL

Date: 19th March 2025

Subject: Deputy Mayor Decision Notices in the period January - February 2025

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 January – February 2025.

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 JANUARY TO FEBRUARY 2025.

- 2.1 Drawing on the information published on the GMCA website, a number of decisions have been made in the period January to February 2025.
- 2.2 Decisions made are set out below:

<p>16th January 2025</p>	<p>Greater Manchester Integrated Recovery Services - Dependency & Recovery funding 2024/25 Greater Manchester Integrated Recovery Services Dependency and Recovery (GM IRS D&R) funding grants are made to the GM drug and alcohol treatment providers listed in the table below to enable enhanced drug and alcohol services for clients of HM Probation Service.</p> <p>The values for 2024/25 are indicated in the table.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="368 1532 1310 1832"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="368 1532 770 1608">Treatment Provider</th> <th data-bbox="770 1532 1310 1608">Allocation April 24 to March 25 (£)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="368 1608 770 1644">CGL</td> <td data-bbox="770 1608 1310 1644">392,506</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="368 1644 770 1680">GMMH NHS Trust</td> <td data-bbox="770 1644 1310 1680">440,769</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="368 1680 770 1715">Pennine Care NHS Trust</td> <td data-bbox="770 1680 1310 1715">80,043</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="368 1715 770 1751">Turning Point</td> <td data-bbox="770 1715 1310 1751">195,270</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="368 1751 770 1787">We Are With You</td> <td data-bbox="770 1751 1310 1787">148,412</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="368 1787 770 1832">Total</td> <td data-bbox="770 1787 1310 1832">1,257,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Treatment Provider	Allocation April 24 to March 25 (£)	CGL	392,506	GMMH NHS Trust	440,769	Pennine Care NHS Trust	80,043	Turning Point	195,270	We Are With You	148,412	Total	1,257,000	<p>PCC</p>
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	<p>A payment to be made of £1100.00 to book space at Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust Oxford Road Site to host the Jan 2025 quarterly meeting of the VRU Health & Wellbeing Network (100 attendees).</p> <p>Afruca: A payment to be made of maximum £500.00 to Afruca for facilitation and delivery of afternoon workshop during the action network.</p>	
15 th January 2025	<p>A1138 I2 Licences. The Deputy Mayor approves the award of a 3-year contract for I2 Licences to I2 Group, via a BlueLight Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The likely value of 3 years spend would be circa £1 million.</p>	GMP
15 th January 2025	<p>Youth Justice Plan development January 2025 Room booking and refreshments at Manchester Art Gallery for a session with Youth Justice stakeholders to develop the next Youth Justice Plan. Value £805</p>	PCC
15 th January 2025	<p>Deputy Mayor's Community Safety Event Autumn 2024. Funding to the amount of £2,377.70 for the Mechanics Institute which includes equipment hire, refreshments and lunch for the Deputy Mayor's Community Safety Partnership event held on Wednesday 20th March 2024.</p>	PCC
15 th January 2025	<p>HMPPS and HMP Forest Bank - Hope Hack. The Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit to pay £2000.00 to HMPPS (His Majesty's Prisons and Probation Service) covering costs to facilitate a 'Hope Hack' event at HMP Forest Bank in February 2025.</p>	PCC
22 nd January 2025	<p>A1081 Workforce Solutions & A1139 Agency Resources (Investigators and Ad Hoc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a 2-year contract for A1139 Agency Resources (Investigators and Ad Hoc), to Reed Specialist Recruitment Limited, with the option to extend for a further 2 years. - a 7 year and 4-month contract for A1081 Workforce Solutions, to Alexander Mann Solutions. <p>The current annual value across all contingent labour contracts is circa £13m.</p>	GMP
22 nd January 2025	<p>A1141 Insurance – Liability and Motor The Deputy Mayor approves the direct award of a 2-year contract for liability and motor insurance, to Risk management Partners. The likely value of 2 years spend would be circa £13.8m.</p>	GMP

<p>23rd January 2025</p>	<p>Personalised Budget fund allowing equal access to young adults on probation and the victims of Serious Youth Violence across Greater Manchester. The GMCA (VRU) award £13,000 to Big Life Company to manage a Personalised Budget fund allowing equal access to young adults on probation and the victims of Serious Youth Violence across Greater Manchester.</p>	<p>PCC</p>						
<p>28th January 2025</p>	<p>Gender Based Violence - Rhodes Foundation Scholar Research Trip to Melbourne Australia. Tuesday 18th February 2025 to Friday 21st February 2025 - VRU Contribution The VRU will contribute to the overall costs of travel and accommodation of a Probation Practitioner and Rhodes Scholar, to Melbourne Australia. This funding would be awarded to the Rhodes Foundation Trust.</p> <p>Alongside two colleagues from the GMCA and Professor David Gadd from the University of Manchester, the individuals will go to Melbourne Australia to explore approaches and the work around Gender Based Violence that will be shared back to the VRU & wider Safer Stronger Communities team.</p> <table data-bbox="368 1093 1117 1205"> <tr> <td>Greater Manchester Probation Service</td> <td>£1,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>GMCA VRU</td> <td>£1,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rhodes Foundation Trust</td> <td>£ 500</td> </tr> </table> <p>Total from across the 3 organisations: £3,000</p>	Greater Manchester Probation Service	£1,500	GMCA VRU	£1,000	Rhodes Foundation Trust	£ 500	<p>PCC</p>
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<p>30th January 2025</p>	<p>2024-25 Support Services costs to St Mary's SARC for Victims of Rape and Sexual Assault in Greater Manchester. To allocate £2,983,276.00, to Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust for the provision of support services by the St Marys Centre to victims of rape and serious sexual offences to cover the period of 1st April 2024 - March 31st, 2025. This encompasses the full and complete costs for the service including quarterly contract payments, baseline of ISVA provision, therapeutic support, and costs of the Forensic Medical Examinations. The fixed annual price has been pre agreed by the GMCA, NHS Integrated Care and the Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust.</p> <p>The SARC service is jointly funded by Greater Manchester NHS Integrated Care on a 50/50 basis and as such, the amount indicated above is the total SARC budget. The GMCA/PCC contribution is half of this. (£1,491,638).</p>	<p>PCC</p>						

30 th January 2025	Police Complaint Review Team Resilience and Support provision Agreed funding of £20k (for 2 years) to maintain service provision, resilience cover and ongoing support for the continuation of the Police Complaint Reviews function. The contract will operate on a “call on, call off” basis.	PCC
30 th January 2025	Education Community Partnership. The Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit will make a payment of £4950.00 to the Education Community Partnership to facilitate a symposium on engaging Alternative Provision (AP) & Pupil Referral Units to as part of the VRU’s Education Strategy group.	PCC
30 th January 2025	Youth Justice Stocktake session 14 th November £435.46 is used for a room booking at Mechanics Institute for the Youth Justice Stocktake session. This includes the room and refreshments.	PCC
5 th February 2025	Research support to assist VRU engagement with young people in alternative educational provision The GM VRU awards £1,000 to Innit 4 YP to help Dr Laura Parker (VRU Public Health) engage with 8 – 10 young people in alternative provision as part of research into the impact of exclusion on young people,	PCC
13 th February 2025	<p>Renumeration for Police Appeal Tribunal (PAT) Chairs appointed to handle PATs and Independent Panel Members (IPMs) appointed to sit on the PAT Panel.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves a funding envelope of £25,000.00 to remunerate PAT Chairs appointed to handle PATs and Independent Panel Members (IPMs) appointed to sit on the PAT Panel.</p> <p>£25,000.00 is an estimated cost based on the costings from previous years.</p> <p>The £25,000.00 will cover the cost of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily fee (£511.56 for PAT Chairs & £357.00 for IPMs) • Preparation and writing fee (£85.00 per hour for PAT Chairs & £25.00 per hour for IPMs) • Travel expenses/mileage • Overnight accommodation • Subsistence • Any other expenses 	PCC

13 th February 2025	Expenses for running the GM Independent Police Arrest and Custody Detention Scrutiny Panel Funding of £5,000.00 to cover expenses relating to the running of the GM Independent Police Arrest and Custody Detention Scrutiny Panel in the calendar year 2025, covering up to eight meetings/events/engagements.		PCC
19 th February 2025	GM Victims Capability and Capacity Fund – Increased allocation to small grants by £124,898.18 – previously £125,000 To use the funding available from the Police Property Act under the permitted use of the fund: “to make payments of such amounts as the relevant authority may determine for such charitable purposes as they may select.” A total of £900,000 to be allocated for 3-years to the Greater Manchester Victims’ Capability and Capacity Fund. £300k per year for 3 Elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Grants • Enhanced scheme to support GM strategy development • VCSE Leadership development 		PCC
19 th February 2025	GM Victims Capability and Capacity Fund – Successful Applicants. The following applicants are funded via the Police Property Act under the permitted use of the fund: to make payments of such amounts as the relevant authority may determine for such charitable purposes as they may select. A total of £124,898.18 to be allocated to the Greater Manchester Victims’ Capability and Capacity Fund element 1 – Small Grants for 2024/25. The Small Grants funding is a one-off payment to be spent within 6-12 months.		PCC
	Afghanistan & Central Asian association	Support victims of crime from ethnic minority backgrounds by delivering volunteer training workshops, mentorship and working alongside support staff to build self-esteem and foster social and economic independence contributing to their recovery and future employment prospects.	£5000.00
	Autisk	Support families who experience domestic abuse from their children with SEND/disabilities by raising awareness and providing support groups and wellbeing sessions.	£5000.00

Be the Change	Enhance capacity to expand their volunteer-led services, increase community engagement and to provide support to young people to cope with the impact of crime and trauma.	£5000.00
Binoh of Manchester	Support victims of antisemitic hate crime by providing personal skills development, self-esteem workshops, financial literacy and debt support and community based basic skills activities to integrate clients back into learning and employment.	£4974.00
Greater Manchester Youth Network	Support unaccompanied asylum-seeking child victims of hate crime by providing workshops to learn about storytelling techniques and mediums to tell their story, build new friendships, access advice and guidance.	£4930.00
Greater Manchester Doulas	Support women who are victims of abuse and/or exploitation by delivering a holistic recovery course to reduce isolation and build confidence, addressing health and wellbeing needs and building resilience amongst survivors.	£4920.00
Happy Me Community	Develop roles of lived experience coordinators to facilitate focus groups amongst victims of crime from the Thai speaking community to provide knowledge and recommendations, to provide a Thai English interpreter for victim support organisations and to provide an online seminar to understand domestic abuse and support available in GM.	£5000.00
Heaton Norris Community Centre	Support victims of hate crime	£4950.00
I4YPC	Support children who have ACE's and victims of criminal exploitation	£5000.00

		by giving volunteering opportunities to help in the Innit Creative Hub gallery, gift shop and market stall, selling their made products.	
	MASH	Support service user volunteering roles to open the drop-in centres which offer holistic support to women who have been victims of crime and to create welcome packs for service users.	£4950.00
	Maverick Lab	Develop volunteering opportunities for residents who have been victims of crime at the community café by offering coffee barrister, customer service, food hygiene and health and safety training.	£5000.00
	OWLS Group	Develop volunteering opportunities for lived experience to deliver support courses to parents who are victims of child to parent violence.	£3132.00
	Red Rose Recovery	Support victims of crime from minority backgrounds and vulnerable groups by delivering tailored support services designed to help cope and recover such as 1-1 mentoring, peer support groups, life skill workshops and volunteering opportunities.	£4999.80
	Reign	Expand the team of CSE/A survivors, empowering to use lived experience to deliver workshops for professionals and wider community.	£4974.00
	Rochdale Connection Trust	Deliver peer support groups for women who are victims of domestic abuse to provide emotional support, mental wellbeing and healthy relationship awareness.	£4895.37
	Rochdale Women's Welfare Association	Support service for women from the BAME community who are repeat victims of trauma and abuse to access appropriate crisis intervention, multilingual and	£5000.00

		ethno-culturally initiative wrap around advocacy support to prevent further harm, improve safety and aide recovery.	
	Stand Up Sisters	Support vulnerable women who are victims of crime via community florist activities to build confidence, celebrate strengths and build employability and deliver workshops themselves.	£4964.00
	The Pankhurst Centre	Support groupwork and drop-in services for survivors of domestic abuse joint facilitated by a professional and lived experience volunteer.	£5000.00
	The Riverside Manchester	Support victims of domestic abuse	£4988.33
	Talk, Listen, Change	Provide a personal budget to victims of domestic abuse to enable the purchase of safety and security items	£5000.00
	Trafford Rape Crisis	Support to continue the delivery of trauma informed therapeutic art group sessions to survivors of sexual violence and/or rape.	£4951.00
	Wai Yin Society	Provide and distribute essential items to victims of crime from the BAME community addressing immediate need, facilitate budgeting and financial skills development workshops and offer pathways for victims to engage in volunteering roles.	£4988.00
	Warmhut UK	Provide weekly advice workshops and learning circles offering practical support and awareness raising to victims of gender-based violence within the African Francophone and Lusophone communities. Support women victims of gender-based violence	£5000.00
	Watering your Soul	Deliver positive relationship workshops to women who have been victims of domestic abuse	£2313.00

		and who have had their children removed from their care.		
	We Are Survivors	Host a bi-monthly 'open house' to engage and recruit ongoing Expert Reference Group volunteers who are male victims/survivors of sexual abuse and their loved ones, knowledge transfer and promotion of services.	£4968.68	
	Yaran Northwest	Expand support services for victims and witnesses of crime with a focus on BAME communities including 1-1 emotional support, group sessions and community outreach ran by bilingual therapists, mental health professionals and trained volunteers.	£5000.00	
20 th February 2025	Provision of Complex Safeguarding Trusted Relationships Psychologists by Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust GMCA Safer & Stronger Communities (Complex Safeguarding) directly award Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust a contract to cover provision of a Psychologist for the GM Resilience Hub Trusted Relationships programme covering the delivery period 1 st April 2025- 31 st March 2028. The total value of the contract will be £523,334, however GMCA will only be funding part of this contract. The value of GMCA's contribution to the contract over the 3-year life of the contract is £123,334.			PCC
20 th February 2025	Authorisation for the payment of ICVA membership fees for 2025/2026 at a cost of £1750 plus VAT To pay Independent Custody Visiting Association (ICVA) membership fees for 2025/2026 at a cost of £1750 plus VAT –GM PCC have been members for over twelve years, since its conception and the Deputy Mayor, Kate Green has recently been appointed as a member of the ICVA Board.			PCC
20 th February 2025	Excellence in Police Finance Programme - GMP The Deputy Mayor agrees to part fund the programme with GMP - £20K in total- GMP £10k & GMCA 10k. This has been a continuing arrangement since 2021/22 and will include appropriate inflationary increases.			PCC
20 th February 2025	Training for Legally Qualified Persons (LQPs) and Independent Panel Members (IPMs).			PCC

	£4303.00 be paid to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) for Merseyside to cover the costs occurred in relation to two training sessions held for LQPs and IPMs appointed to sit on panels for Police Misconduct Hearings for police forces across the Northwest Region, including Greater Manchester Police.	
20 th February 2025	Devolving of Positive Activities Funding to the 10 GM Local Authority Youth Justice Services The GMVRU GMCA are seeking to award £1,000 to each of the 10 Greater Manchester Local Authority Youth Justice Services (total £10,000) to manage a Personalised Budget fund for children known to each YJS who are at risk of violent offences, further offending, or have been victims of serious violence. The funding is intended to uplift and enhance a child's life chances and support them to achieve their employment, education and training goals, as well as reducing any barriers to their life goals.	PCC
20 th February 2025	Carbon Creative Support with VRU Content The GM VRU awards Carbon Creative £2,160.00 to provide infographics and design for the VRU's 2024/25 annual report and website refresh.	PCC
20 th February 2025	Venue Booking and Catering for Roundtable - Arts and Culture / VRU Landscape Chaired by Deputy Mayor Contact Theatre: A payment to be made of maximum £300.00 to book a room at Manchester Young People's Theatre (trading as Contact Theatre) for a roundtable chaired by the Deputy Mayor inclusive of refreshments (tea, coffee and water). No space within GMCA is available on this date to accommodate meeting attendees.	PCC
20 th February 2025	Support to Women's Conference – March 2025 The Safer Stronger Communities Directorate support the delivery of a GM Women's conference in March 2025 considering issues related to the GM Gender-Based Violence Strategy and the recommendations of the Baird Review. The support offered is £750 towards the costs of hosting the event.	PCC
20 th February 2025	Support for the Anti-Spiking Campaign being delivered by GMP to improve the safety of women and girls. The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime approves funding for Op North Star which will be supporting the night-time economy during the December month in the response to increased risk of crime and disorder particularly VAWG related offences throughout Greater Manchester.	PCC

	The cost of this contribution is £3,000.	
20 th February 2025	<p>Support for the delivery of a second phase of the Mother Mountain virtual reality package 'Flourish' to support Victims'/survivors of Domestic abuse.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime approves funding for a second stage of financial support to underpin the delivery of the Mother Mountain production, 'FLOURSH'.</p> <p>Mother Mountain are granted £30,000 to support final rollout of the program, this phase will learn the lessons from the obstacles encountered in phase one of the project – these funds are available within the GBV budget and subject to approval of this decision notice these funds will be allocated to support this project.</p>	PCC
24 th February 2025	<p>Intercompany Transfer - 50% contribution to the Chief Officer for Counter Terrorism Policing in the Northwest (CTPNW).</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor agrees to fund the continuation of 50% contribution to the post of Chief Officer, Counter Terrorism Policing in the Northwest (CTPNW).</p> <p>In 2024/25 the 50% amounts to £90,969.</p>	PCC
26 th February 2025	<p>Magistrates Association: Year 6 mock trials</p> <p>To award the Magistrates Association £1,500 in funding to support the running of their year 6 mock trial competition. In 2024, the event attracted 16 teams from 15 schools from 8 boroughs. Some teams took the part of the CPS and others the Defence.' 150 young people took part in total with speaking and non-speaking roles – court reporter, court artist etc. GMP, BTP and GMFRS were also present to speak to the young people.</p>	PCC
26 th February 2025	<p>LGA Annual Fire Conference and Exhibition 2025</p> <p>To fund 1 x delegate to attend the LGA Annual Fire Conference on Tuesday 11 - Wednesday 12 March 2025, Newcastle Gateshead.</p> <p>The cost of the conference is £495.00 + VAT for a non LGA Member.</p>	PCC
26 th February 2025	Delivery of StreetDoctors Young Leaders training programme	PCC

	The GM VRU awards £4,999 to fund a bespoke programme to train young people within the CJ system to learn about the impact of trauma injuries and deliver trauma first aid to their peers.	
26 th February 2025	“Healing after Grooming” Workshop with The Reign Collective GMCA Complex Safeguarding wishes to pay £700 from the Complex Safeguarding Budget to pay for The Reign Collective to deliver a workshop on the topic of “Healing after Grooming” on March 21st, 2025, as part of the GM Week of Action professional development offer.	PCC
26 th February 2025	“Supporting Roma Children and Families Facing Exploitation” Workshop with Roma Support Group GMCA Complex Safeguarding wishes to pay £300 from the Complex Safeguarding Budget to pay for The Roma Support Group to deliver a workshop on “Supporting Roma Children and Families Facing Exploitation” on March 18th, 2025, as part of GM’s Week of Action professional development offer.	PCC

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS.

3.1 Appear at the front of the report.