

**DECISION NOTICE (GMP)**

**Decision author and proposer:**

**Subject:**

**Ariana Grande Concert – SPS Policing Costs**

**Type of decision:**

<b>Deputy Mayor's decision</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Chief Officer's decision</b>	
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**The decision is to:**

Not to charge for the policing resources assigned to the Ariana Grande concert, which would normally attract a policing charge under Special Police Services (SPS).

The normal SPS chargeable rate would have been £67,962.65p due to be charged to the promoting company that was running the event.

**The reasons for the decision are:**

The event was put on by the promotor and musical artist in support of the Manchester bombing victims. The proceeds of this event were to go to the charity set up to support those victims and families affected.

The artists that took part at this event have not taken any payment and all the monies made have gone towards the charity fund.

Therefore, in line with this ethos, it is within the police and Mayor's gift to do the same and forego the SPS charging for this event. This cost can then be added to the charity fund instead of forming a cost to the event reducing the charity funding that it would need to come from.

**Alternative options considered and rejected:**

An alternative arrangement was to consider an abatement charge for the SPS costs.

This was drafted in line with the NPCC abatement guidelines and an abated charge of 50% would have been recommended. This would have provided a cost to the promotor of £33,981.33p. Again, this cost would have come from the charity funds.

**Financial comments:**

The SPS costs for this event were £67,962.65p and the total policing costs for this event were £77,018.00p.

This policing cost will still need to be included within the budget.

**Legal comments: N/K**

**Risk Assessment: N/I**

**Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered?**

Not relevant for this decision

**Signed on behalf of GMP**

Signed:  .....

Name: IAN HOPKINS QPM, CHIEF CONSTABLE


Date: 25/7/2017

**Signed by Deputy Mayor's Chief Executive (Monitoring Officer)**

Signed:  .....

Date: 31/07/17

**Agreed by Deputy Mayor**

Signed:  .....

Date: 31/7/17

**Contact Officer:**