

DECISION NOTICE

Subject:
Funding for North West Crimestoppers Regional Manager

Type of decision:			
Deputy Mayor's decision	X	Chief Officer's decision	

The decision is that:
To provide £10,958.80 (ex VAT) for each of the next three years to fund the North West Crimestoppers Regional Manager post. The post will be joint funded by the Police and Crime Commissioners in each of the six North West areas (Greater Manchester, Merseyside, Cheshire, Cumbria, Lancashire and North Wales).

The reasons for the decision are:
Previously, Crimestoppers have been able to fund the Regional Manager post through contributions raised through the charity, however as contributions have decreased, PCCs in the North West Region have been approached directly to joint fund the post if they wish to see it continue, as other PCCs do in other regions nationally.

The funding is fundamental to continuing the position of the Regional Manager and implementing the crime reduction strategy. The positive results seen in 2015-2016 from the relationship of the existing role and the quality of the information passed to North West forces:

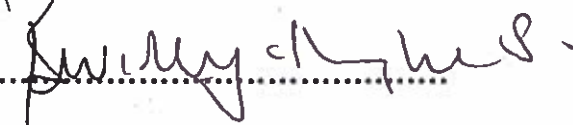
- 17,020 pieces of information actioned by law enforcement;
- 2,368 positive actions;
- 970 arrests;
- £3,154,730 worth of stolen goods recovered;

A business case for the support was presented to PCC representatives at the last North West Joint Oversight Committee in April 2017.

Alternative options considered and rejected:
The role of the Regional Manager is specific to Crimestoppers. The funding arrangement would bring the North West Region in line with other regions nationally.

Financial comments: The Director of Finance (Police and Crime) has been consulted and is satisfied that the proposal falls within the resources available.
Legal comments: HR advice has been sought regarding the employment of the post, with no concerns outstanding.
Risk Assessment: Updates on the effectiveness of the post will be provided through quarterly reports directly to PCCs and through updates at future meetings of the North West Joint Oversight Committee.
Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered: N/A

Agreed by the Deputy Mayor

Signed: 

Date: 28/09/17 -

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