

DECISION NOTICE

Decision author and proposer:

Subject:
Victim Services Commissioning Strategic Partner

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

In all case's this will need to be approved by the Assistant Director Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire.

<p>The decision is that: The Victim Services Commissioning Partner (PULSE Regeneration Ltd) should continue to be funded until the end of December 2018, whilst a Commissioning, Capabiltiy and Capacity Review of the Police, Crime, Justice and Fire Team is undertaken.</p>
<p>The reasons for the decision are: The Police and Crime Commissioner allocated £175,826 for a period of one year with an option to extend for a further 2 years by way of the Victim Services Commissioning funding, to engage PULSE as the Victims Commissioning Strategic Partner. The service began in September 2016 and has been extended for one year of the two year funding extention option. PULSE have a good understanding of the current landscape, and manage the Victim Grant of £3.3M, they have implemented new grant monitoring systems and improved procedures. Specifically PULSE have managed the Victim Support Contract; holding them to account for their delivery. They have been effective with capacity building support for a number of organisations delivering victim services and have provided procurement support for the Victim Assessment and Referral Service, the Aftercare Services for Victims of Rape and Sexual Assault for Adults and Children and the Restorative Justice Hub and Cluster Service. The extention will be based on the original contract.</p> <p>The extension is necessary to provide continuity for the services provided by PULSE until the review of commissioning, capability and capacity has been finalised. Presently PULSE are commissioned via the BLOOM procurement organisation and the review will incorporate analysis of the most cost effective way to deliver future commissioning, with a new approach to be in place by January 2019.</p>

This decision will contribute to priorities of the the Greater Manchester strategy in the following ways:

Priority 8 of the Greater Manchester Strategy outlines the vision to have safer stronger communities where every community and person can feel safe and secure in thier daily lives.

The work of the Victim Services Stratgic Commissioning Partner contributes directly to support victims of crime and protecting vulnerable people.

Financial comments:

Funding of £58,608.68 is available from the MOJ Victim Grant.

Legal comments:

Bloom was appointed via an open OJEU process, run by the North East Procurement Organisation. GMPCC originally and GMCA from 2017 appointed them by signing the NEPRO call off agreement. Bloom ran a mini competition and PULSE were awarded the work via a Work Order from Bloom for 1 year plus the option to extend for 2 years at the sole discretion of the GMPCC/GMCA.

Risk Assessment:

The risk of change of approach to delivery of this service will be assessed as part of the Commissioning, Capabiliiy and Capacity Review, an early statement of risk associated with destabilisation of service delivery during the review and proposals to mitigate the risk will be prioritised, all risks will be logged, analysed and addressed.


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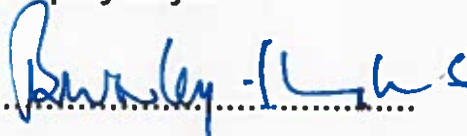
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Agreed by Assistant Director – Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire

Signed.....

Date.....7/9/18

Agreed by Deputy Mayor

Signed:

Date:21/9/18

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