POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR WEST MERCIA



RECORD OF DECISION

TITLE: PURCHASE OF A VEHICLE FOR JOINT USE BY SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM'S AND STREET PASTORS IN TELFORD AND WREKIN - Ref. PCC/D/2018/14

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Safer Neighbourhoods Team and Street Pastors are looking to share a vehicle suitable for use over the week for engagement work and by the Street Pastors at weekends to deal with incidents and provide assistance to those in need. The vehicle will be owned by the Force as part of the main fleet and will be purchased and fitted out to provide adequate facilities to work from for both teams, to include, storage and lighting.

A total budget for the purchase and conversion has been set at £20,000. This will need to be drawn down from reserves unless there is any in-year underspending in the PCC's budget that can be utilised to finance the costs. This will be monitored closely throughout the year.

PROPOSAL

It is recommended that up to a total of £20,000 be drawn down from the demand management reserve to finance the purchase and fit-out costs for a vehicle suitable for use by the Telford and Wrekin Safer Neighbourhoods Team and the Street Pastors.

APPROVAL OF

West Mercia Commissioner

I hereby approve the above proposal.

Signed <

PART 1 - NON-CONFIDENTIAL/EXEMPT FACTS AND ADVICE

SUPPORTING REPORT

1. INTRODUCTION

The Safer Neighbourhoods Team in Telford and Wrekin are looking to develop their community engagement work and need a vehicle to do so effectively. The street pastors also have a requirement for a vehicle to provide assistance from and to deal with incidents over the weekend more effectively. The proposal is to purchase a vehicle that is suitable for both uses, to be used by the Safer Neighbourhoods Team between Monday and Thursday each week and the Street Pastors Friday to Sunday.

2. ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 The ability to share a vehicle should ensure that the vehicle is used to its maximum capacity and secure value for money for local residents.
- 2.2 The vehicle will become part of the force fleet and will be managed and maintained as any other fleet vehicle. Some conversion work will be required to make it suitable for both teams' needs.
- 2.3 A maximum budget of £20,000 has been provided by the PCC for the purchase and conversion of a suitable vehicle.

3. FINANCIAL COMMENTS

The costs of the purchase and refit of this vehicle are to be funded from an additional draw down from reserves up to a maximum value of £20,000. This vehicle will be additional to the in-year vehicle replacement programme for the force. If however, any savings do emerge within the Police and Crime Commissioners budget during the course of 2018/19 these may be utilised to finance these additional costs, and this will be monitored closely throughout the year.

4. LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

By virtue of schedule 11, paragraph 14 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 the Police and Crime Commissioner may do anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the exercise of the functions of commissioner. That includes: entering into contracts and other agreements (whether legally binding or not) and acquiring and disposing of property (including land).

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OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive Officer

Ade Chambros

Signature

Date 5th June 2018

