POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR WEST MERCIA

RECORD OF DECISION



TITLE: Additional Motorcycle for Roads Policing

Ref: PCC/D/2022/02

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The current motorcycle fleet is large and heavy and restricts applicants with a smaller frame, therefore restricting opportunities to only certain officers.

The Force has been seeking a suitable motorcycle to offer as an alternative to make the role of police motorcyclist more inclusive and open up the role to officers who may have previously discounted it.

PROPOSAL

To approve investment of £12,644 for the motorcycle; £500 for front and rear dash cams; and revenue costs of £2000 per annum to cover maintenance.

All other running costs will be found from within the Force fleet budgets.

APPROVAL OF

West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the above proposal.

Signed

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL/EXEMPT FACTS AND FIGURES

SUPPORTING REPORT

Force Operations have been seeking a suitable motorcycle to offer as an alternative to make the role of police motorcyclist more inclusive and open up the role to officers who may have previously discounted it.

Having undertaken extensive research, a suitable model (lowered BMW F 750 GS) has been identified as being in use by the Metropolitan Police.

Force Operations are seeking to make this motorcycle available for a planned course in June 2022 where it will facilitate an officer to attend who will otherwise be prevented due to the size and weight of our existing motorcycle fleet. Therefore a decision is sought to enable the approximate build time to delivery of 16 weeks.

The proposal recognises the significant impact of the motorcycle team in achieving the objectives of the Force Citizens Charter. The motorcycle team provide much needed support to the Safer Roads Teams in increasing the resilience for road safety checks

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This decision supports the following element(s) of the Safer West Mercia Plan:

☐ Putting Victims and Survivors First	☐ Building a More Secure West Mercia
□ Reforming West Mercia	☐ Reassuring West Mercia's Communities

The decision supports this/ these objective(s) through the following.

- Providing officers and staff the tools to do an excellent job, whilst ensuring the best possible value for the taxpayer
- Ensuring the transport provision, including the provision of vehicles and maintenance, develops to support the requirements of the force to meet its vision of protecting people from harm. The key emphasis being on ensuring that the right vehicles are in the right place at the right time, that they are fit for purpose, safe for police staff, officers and members of the public, provide good quality of service to citizens, are available at all times providing value for money and assist in the reduction of the Force's carbon footprint

BENEFITS AND THEIR REALISATION

To make the role of police motorcyclist more inclusive and open up the role to officers who may have previously discounted it, monitored by diversity statistics

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FINANCIAL AND TREASURER COMMENTS

The proposal requires utilisation of £12,644 from the in year Safer Roads Partnership revenue budget for the motorcycle plus £500 for front and rear dash cams. Recurring Revenue investment from the Safer Roads Partnership budget of £2000 per annum is required to cover maintenance.

The availability and utilisation of in year revenue resources as a Revenue Contribution to Capital to fund the purchase of a motorcycle does not create an additional pressure on the WM PCC budget. However it will reduce any transfer into the Road Safety Reserve at the end of the financial year. The small on-going revenue contribution will also reduce any future contribution to the reserve

Treasurer

Date 9th February 2022

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

Signature Ady Champies

Date 9th February 2022