

FOR INFORMATION
GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL

Date: 28th January 2026

Subject: PCC/Deputy Mayor Decision Notices in the period October 2025 to January 2026

Report of: Kate Green – Deputy Mayor for Police, Crime, Criminal Justice services and Fire

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to highlight decisions made by the PCC/Deputy Mayor in the period from October 2025 to January 2026.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Panel is requested to note the decisions made and whether any further information is requested in relation to decisions made.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Under Section 28(6) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 the Panel is obliged to review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, by the Deputy Mayor in connection with the discharge of the police and crime functions and, where necessary make reports or recommendations to the Deputy Mayor with respect to the discharge of those functions.
- 1.2 The Deputy Mayor is under a statutory obligation under the terms of the Specified Information Order to publish details of decisions of significant public interest. In more general terms under Section 13 of the 2011 Act, the Deputy Mayor is obliged to ensure that she provides the Panel with any information that it might reasonably require to allow it to carry out its functions. This would include the provision of information regarding decisions and actions, irrespective of whether they were to be of "significant public interest".
- 1.3 In this respect, the GMCA publishes decisions made.

2.0 DECISIONS MADE IN THE PERIOD OCTOBER 2025 TO JANUARY 2026.

- 2.1 Drawing on the information published on the GMCA website, a number of decisions have been made in the period October 2025 TO January 2026.
- 2.2 Decisions made are set out below:

30 th October 2025	GMCA Complex Safeguarding Hub will pay £3,103.95 from the Complex Safeguarding Budget to Simon Ringham Ltd (trading as Safe Steps Consultancy) for their support in rolling out the Tackling Child Exploitation (TCE) partnership self-assessment tool as part of our revised peer review methodology.	PCC
30 th October 2025	Clean Air Zone / Automatic Number Plate Recognition Cameras – Change of Use Consultation. A budget of £6540.80 is approved for the Clean Air Zone Automatic Number Plate Recognition (CAZ ANPR) Cameras Change of Use Consultation.	PCC
30 th October 2025	Beyond Trauma Theory Training by Barnardo's – Week of Action Nov 25. GMCA Complex Safeguarding to pay £325.00 from the Complex Safeguarding Budget for Barnardo's to deliver a 2-hour workshop on trauma-informed practice as part of the GM Week of Action professional development offer delivered across Nov 10 th – 21 st 2025.	PCC

30 th October 2025	<p>'Constructive Dialogues with Boys & Young Men' Session by Men at Work – Week of Action Nov 25.</p> <p>GMCA Complex Safeguarding to pay £600 + VAT from the Complex Safeguarding Budget for the organisation Men at Work to deliver a 90min workshop on engaging with boys and young men as part of the GM Week of Action professional development offer delivered across Nov 10th – 21st 2025.</p>	PCC
31 st October 2025	<p>Targeted Community and Specialist culturally Proficient Funds in response to the Manchester Synagogue attack.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor agrees to underwrite a fund which will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide Support to Jewish communities affected by the attack. (£120,000) 2. Fund the commissioning of specialist trauma-informed services from trusted providers with deep cultural competence and established relationships within Jewish communities. (£230,000) <p>Total Value £350,000</p> <p>The fund will be available for the period 2025/26.</p> <p>It is anticipated that the full £350k will be claimed back through the local authority route into MHCLG led by Manchester CC and/or Ministry of Justice victim's fund.</p>	PCC
5 th November 2025	<p>Award of Contract for GMCA1537: Commissioning Review of Independent Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Advisors (IDVA/ISVAs) Workforce.</p> <p>Following the conclusion of competitive Invitation to Tender exercise GMCA1537, provider 'Equality Collabs Ltd' to be awarded an 8-month contract to undertake a Commissioning Review of Independent Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Advisors (IDVA/ISVAs) Workforce. The value of this contract is £74,650.</p>	PCC
5 th November 2025	<p>VRU Grant Funding to Bolton CVS 2025-26 Interim Capacity Funding in 5 Areas.</p> <p>The GM VRU awards Bolton Community Voluntary Sector (CVS) £275,000 in financial year 2025-26, via grant funding, to support in continuing the delivery and administration of the VRU's Community-Led Pilots (CLP) Programme on behalf of 10 GM in 5 of the current delivery areas. The grant agreement will cover the period 1st Oct 2025- 30th Sept 2026. This further investment in the GM Community-led Programme will fund the following:</p> <p>£250,000 (£50,000 per CLP for the 5 CLP areas-Wigan, Oldham, Bolton, Tameside & Bury) in capacity building funding to enable local areas to</p>	PCC

	continue funding delivery in those areas where delivery has not yet concluded, and where funding is due to expire in 2025/26. £25,000 to facilitate programme administration across these areas in 25/26 by Bolton CVS.	
5 th November 2025	Hate Crime investment to raise awareness. The Deputy Mayor agrees to fund up to £50,000 to support activity to raise awareness, reporting and understanding of hate crime in Greater Manchester. This will include a central awareness campaign in support of Hate Crime Awareness Week in February 2026.	PCC
5 th November 2025	Venue Booking and Catering- VRU Education leaders Conference 4 Feb 2026. The Deputy Mayor agrees to fund an education conference for senior teachers and safeguarding leads, specifically to promote POL ED , the online education resource which has been funded by VRU/GMP. To take place at Lancashire County Cricket Club. A payment to be made of £1000 + VAT as deposit to secure venue (The Point) 4 Feb 2026. A further DN / Exemption will be submitted for the remaining value once numbers / catering confirmed.	PCC
12 th November 2025	Online sex worker harm reduction provision. £220,000 is allocated to Changing Lives via a grant agreement to deliver a proposed two-year pilot to deliver a netreach (online outreach) and support service to sex workers active in the online space.	PCC
12 th November 2025	Body Worn Video Hardware, Licences, Accessories and Additional Services. The Deputy Mayor approves the award of a 3-year contract for provision of Body Worn Video Hardware, Licences, Accessories and Additional Services, to Axon Public Safety Limited, with the option to extend for a further one year. The likely value of four years spend would be circa £4 million.	GMP
13 th November 2025	Room hire and catering for Safer and Stronger Communities Away Day. £767.20 is paid to Friends Meeting House, Manchester for room hire and catering on 12 th December 2025 for the Safer and Stronger Communities Away Day.	PCC
13 th November 2025	Centre of Expertise on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA) – Week of Action Seminar Nov 25. GMCA Complex Safeguarding & GMCA Programme Challenger to pay £1,200 + VAT from the GMCA Challenger Budget for the <i>Centre of Expertise on Child Sexual Abuse</i> to deliver two 2-hour workshops (one	PCC

	on Harmful Sexual Behaviour in Educational Contexts, and one on Supporting Families Following Arrest of Parent) as part of the GM Week of Action professional development offer delivered across Nov 10 th – 21 st 2025.															
26 th November 2025	<p>Greater Manchester Integrated Recovery Services - Dependency & Recovery (GMIRS D&R) funding 2025/26.</p> <p>GM IRS D&R funding grants are made to the GM drug and alcohol treatment providers listed in the table below, to enable enhanced drug and alcohol services for clients of HM Probation Service. The values for 2025/26 are indicated in the table.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Treatment Provider</th><th>Allocation April 25 to March 26 (£)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>CGL</td><td>416,056</td></tr> <tr> <td>GMMH NHS Trust</td><td>467,215</td></tr> <tr> <td>Pennine Care NHS Trust</td><td>84,846</td></tr> <tr> <td>Turning Point</td><td>206,986</td></tr> <tr> <td>We Are With You</td><td>157,317</td></tr> <tr> <td>Total</td><td>1,332,420</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Treatment Provider	Allocation April 25 to March 26 (£)	CGL	416,056	GMMH NHS Trust	467,215	Pennine Care NHS Trust	84,846	Turning Point	206,986	We Are With You	157,317	Total	1,332,420	PCC
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3 rd December 2025	<p>A1221 Footwear.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves the award of a 2-year contract for Footwear, to Altberg Limited, with the option to extend for a further 2+2 years. The likely value of 6 years spend would be circa £690k.</p>	GMP														
9 th December 2025	South Asian Girls' Experiences of Alcohol Use – Week of Action Nov 25. GMCA Complex Safeguarding to pay £600 from the Complex Safeguarding Budget for <i>Brown Girl in a Bottle</i> to deliver a 1-hour workshop on South Asian Girls' Experiences of Alcohol Use, and how it intersects with CSE (lived experience) as part of the GM Week of Action professional development offer delivered across Nov 10 th – 21 st 2025.	PCC														
9 th December 2025	<p>Police Precept Consultation.</p> <p>£8,100 (exc. VAT) is allocated to fund Brandedge for insight research to support the Police Precept consultation via a series of focus groups.</p>	PCC														
9 th December 2025	<p>Award for delivery of coordination of the Programme Challenger Anti-Slavery NGO Forum 2026 – 2027.</p> <p>Funding totalling £24,651 is awarded to Causeway Charitable services to coordinate the Greater Manchester anti-slavery and trafficking NGO forum for a total of 24 months (January 2026 – December 2027).</p>	PCC														

9 th December 2025	<p>Underwriting the cost of repairs following the Manchester Synagogue attack.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor agrees to underwrite the cost of repairs, required as a result of the Manchester Synagogue attack as set out below. This funding will be claimed back from the MCHLG funding:</p> <p>Glass replacement works - £560.00 Supply and fit 2 fire doors - £620.00 Supply and fit new UPVC door - £970.00 Subtotal 2,150.00, plus VAT = £2,580 TOTAL VAT 20% 430.00 TOTAL GBP 2,580.00</p>	
11 th December 2025	<p>Personalised Budget fund (continuation) allowing equal access to young adults on probation and the victims of Serious Youth Violence across Greater Manchester.</p> <p>The GMCA (VRU) award £3,000 to Big Life Company to manage a Personalised Budget fund allowing equal access to young adults on probation and the victims of Serious Youth Violence across Greater Manchester. The grant start date will be 01/12/205 and end date will be 31/04/2026.</p>	PCC
11 th December 2025	<p>Venue Booking for HOME Theatre: Police and Crime Plan Showcase 22nd Jan 2026.</p> <p>HOME Theatre & Wardley Ltd:</p> <p>Payment of up to £1,950.00 to book space for maximum 150 attendees, use of screen/IT facilities and refreshments (standard tea and coffee package) for all attendees. Payments for venue space will be to HOME Theatre, and payments for refreshments will be to Wardley Ltd, HOME's caterer.</p>	PCC
24 th December 2025	<p>Permission to extend the Resident and Victim Perceptions of Policing and Community Safety contracts.</p> <p>Following a detailed review of the contracts, it is agreed that the contracts as set out below will progress into the contractual extension period of 1 year from the 13th February 2026.</p> <p>It is also recommended that the second optional extension period of 13th February 2027 to 12th February 2028 is approved, subject to a satisfactory performance review.</p> <p>The funding for which is already budgeted as set out in the approved decision notice at the contract award in January 2023.</p> <p>Lot 1 – Policing and Community Safety survey - DJS Research Ltd</p>	PCC

	<p>Budget for years 4 & 5 2026/27 & 2027/28 (up to 12th Feb 2028) £190,000 in year 4 £166,250 in year 5 (contract end date is 12/2/28), already in the budget</p> <p>Lot 2 – Victim survey - DJS Research Ltd Budget for year 4 2026/27 £262,000 & 5 - 2027/28 (up to 12th Feb 2028) £199,000 (projected)</p> <p>Lot 3 – Bespoke Analysis – DJS Research Ltd (to provide a number of research days/ to undertake in-depth analysis using data from the policing and community safety and victim surveys). Budget for years 4 & 5 2026/27 £44,800 2027/28 (up to 12th Feb 2028) £44,800</p>	
18 th Dec 2025	<p>Unity Radio (North West Media Ltd) Provision of AV Equipment for POL-ED Conference.</p> <p>The VRU awards £745.00 to Unity Radio (North West Media Limited) to provide AV support for the POLED conference planned for 4th Feb 2026.</p>	PCC
18 th Dec 2025	<p>Annual Association of Police and Crime Chief Executives (APACCE) membership subscription for 2025/26.</p> <p>To subscribe to the APACCE annual membership for the period 2025/26, total Value £1000 + VAT.</p>	PCC
18 th December 2025	<p>Victims Criminal Justice Journey - Project Simply hosting costs. £2,576.88 is allocated to developer Project Simply to provide hosting costs between now and March 2026 for the Victims of Crime Video timeline which is embedded within the GM Victims website https://journey.gmvictimsservices.org/ 4 months: 1st December 2025 - 31st March 2026</p>	PCC
24 th December 2025	<p>A1236 Strategic Data Store (SDS) System Support and Maintenance.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves the award of a 3-year contract for Strategic Data Store (SDS) System Support and Maintenance services (includes Bluestar's services needed to support the new RMS Project (i.e. integration and data migration workstream)), to Insight Direct, with the option to extend for a further 2 x 2 years. The likely value of 7 years spend would be circa £1.9m.</p>	GMP
24 th December 2025	<p>A1190 T10 Taser</p> <p>It is recommended that approval is given to the direct award of a 5-year contract for the T10 Taser T60 plan to Axon Public Safety. The likely value of 5 years spend would be circa £3.53 million.</p>	GMP

19 th December 2025	<p>Grant Funding to Community Security Trust for GM Community Caseworker.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor awards the Community Security trust (CST) urgent in-year grant funding to the total of £48,750 to fund an additional Community Caseworker post to strengthen CST's Manchester office. The need arises from the aftermath of the terrorist attack on 2 October 2025 in Manchester and a significant increase in antisemitic incidents since 7 October 2023.</p> <p>CST is a charity that protects British Jews from terrorism and antisemitism. It ensures that Jewish people across the UK can lead the lives of their choice. Widely recognised by police and government as a unique model of best practice, CST's research regularly informs public policy and helps to safeguard wider British society. The additional resource will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure timely and effective support for victims, communities, and stakeholders. • Maintain operational resilience across all functions. • Enable prompt investigation of suspicious behaviour. <p>The grant period is to be 01/12/2025-30/11/2026.</p>	PCC
7 th January 2026	<p>A1162 Forensic Services.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves the direct award of a 3-year contract for Forensic Services, Key Forensic, Cellmark and Forensic Access, with the option to extend for a further 2 years. The likely value of 5 years spend would be circa £37.7m across all contracts.</p>	GMP

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS.

3.1 Appear at the front of the report.