



Havering
LONDON BOROUGH

Notice of Non-key Executive Decision

Subject Heading:	Approval for carry over of funding agreed by Cabinet under the MOPAC Partnership Plus scheme for s92 Police Team into financial year 2022/2023.
Cabinet Member:	Councillor Viddy Persaud
SLT Lead:	Jane West, Chief Operating Officer
Report Author and contact details:	Dipti Patel Assistant Director Environment Dipti.patel@havering.gov.uk
Policy context:	To deliver the Council Corporate Plan priorities and keep the borough safe.
Financial summary:	£300,000 per annum funding for this scheme has been identified corporately from the Corporate Risk Budget for three years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22. S92 Police Act 1996 agreement to commence from 6 th January 2020 and conclude 5 th January 2023.

Non-key Executive Decision

Relevant OSC:	Crime and Disorder Overview and Scrutiny
Is this decision exempt from being called-in?	Yes It is a non-key decision by the SLT Lead in consultation with the Cabinet Lead Member

The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Communities making Havering
Places making Havering

Part A – Report seeking decision

DETAIL OF THE DECISION REQUESTED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommendations

That the Chief Operating Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet Lead Member, approves the terms of the full three-year funding commitment by Cabinet into financial year 2022/23, as the s92 Police Act 1996 agreement commenced on 6th January 2020 and is due to conclude on 5th January 2023.

Background

On 8th May 2019 Cabinet approved the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) Partnership Plus scheme for the purchase of additional Police officers within Havering and the funding requirements to support the scheme for three years from 2019/2020 to 2021/22.

The Council submitted a formal application to the Metropolitan Police Service for the provision of five additional Police officers for a period of three years pursuant to an agreement under s92 of the Police Act 1996.

Deputy Assistant Commissioner authority was obtained and the Metropolitan Police Service supplied the additional Police officers under the Partnership Plus scheme commencing 6th January.

The three year agreement will extend into financial year 2022/23. Approval is sought to carry over the funding agreed by Cabinet in support of the MOPAC Partnership Plus scheme to until the conclusion of the three year contractual period on 5th January 2023.

AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH DECISION IS MADE

Section 92 (2) of The Police Act 1996 provides that the Council of a London Borough, County, or District which falls wholly or partly within the Metropolitan Police district may make grants for the police purposes to the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District. This includes the Mayor's Office. Grants can be made as a gift or there is an arrangement for contract of services. Section 92 (3) of the 1996 Act provides Grants under this section may be made unconditionally, or with the agreement of the chief officer of the police for the police area concerned subject to conditions. It is noted the grant will be made subject to an agreement as set out in the body of the report. The performance of officers will have to be managed in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Once the scheme has been implemented the Council must ensure that no part of the funds represents a 'profit' to any of the recipients in order to avoid any indication of a procurement activity.

STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DECISION

To fully implement the decision by Cabinet on 8th May 2019 to support the provision of additional Police officers for Havering and the funding requirements to support the scheme for three years from 2019/20.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

None.

PRE-DECISION CONSULTATION

Advice and guidance sought and provided by the SLT Lead. Relevant Business Partners in Finance, Legal and HR fully consulted.

NAME AND JOB TITLE OF STAFF MEMBER ADVISING THE DECISION-MAKER

Name: Dipti Patel

Designation: Assistant Director Environment

Signature:

Date:

Part B - Assessment of implications and risks

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

A member of SLT is able to agree this non-executive decision relating to adjusting the start and end date of the arrangements with the Metropolitan Police under Part 3 of the Havering Council Constitution. Para 3.3 General Powers (a).

The Cabinet paper of 08th May 2019 dealt with the primary legal imps relating to the overall arrangements.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

£300,000 per annum funding for this scheme has been identified corporately from the Corporate Risk Budget for three years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22. Delay in launching the scheme occasioned by the necessity to adhere to the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) governance processes and to secure Deputy Assistant Commissioner authority. The MPS are furthermore responsible for the recruitment and selection of police officers and ensuring their availability for deployment. The provision of officers under the PartnershipPlus Scheme will be formalised with an agreement pursuant to Section 92 of the Police Act 1996 (Grants by local authorities) between the local authority and Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC). The date of commencement of this agreement is 6th January 2020 to run for three years to 5th January 2023. Approval sought to carry over the agreed corporate funding over the full three years into 2022/23.

HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS (AND ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS WHERE RELEVANT)

There are no Human Resources implications or risks arising directly that impact on the Council's workforce. The s92 officers are based on police premises, at Hornchurch Police Station, and the officers will be employed by the Metropolitan Police Service on police terms and conditions.

EQUALITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

No equalities and social implications arising from this proposed decision.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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Part C – Record of decision

I have made this executive decision in accordance with authority delegated to me by the Leader of the Council and in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

Decision

Proposal agreed

Details of decision maker

Signed

Jane West

Name: Jane West

**Chief Operating Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Lead Member
Councillor Viddy Persaud**

Date: *5/3/20*

Lodging this notice

The signed decision notice must be delivered to the proper officer, Debra Marlow, Principal Democratic Services Officer in Democratic Services, in the Town Hall.

For use by Committee Administration

This notice was lodged with me on _____

Signed _____

