

## Notice of Non-Key Executive Decision

<b>Subject Heading:</b>	<i>My Ends Partnership -Havering</i>
<b>Decision Maker:</b>	<i>Helen Oakerbee</i>
<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	<i>Cllr Barry Mugglestone</i>
<b>ELT Lead:</b>	<i>Helen Oakerbee</i>
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<b>Policy context:</b>	This sits under the delivery of the Havering Community Safety Plan 2022-2025 and the Serious Violence Strategy 2024.
<b>Financial summary:</b>	<i>The MOPAC (Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime) Violence Reduction Unit has granted an additional £280,000 for Havering Community Safety partnership for the years 2024-2026, of which £110,000 will be spent in 2024/2025 and £170,000 in 2025/2026 as part of the My Ends Partnership Programme.</i>
<b>Relevant Overview &amp; Scrutiny Sub Committee:</b>	<i>Places overview and scrutiny</i>
<b>Is this decision exempt from being called-in?</b>	<i>The decision will be exempt from call in as it is a Non key Decision</i>

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

People - Supporting our residents to stay safe and well X

Place - A great place to live, work and enjoy X

Resources - Enabling a resident-focused and resilient Council

***Place an X as appropriate***

## Part A – Report seeking decision

### DETAIL OF THE DECISION REQUESTED AND RECOMMENDED ACTION

*To approve and accept the £280,000 (total) grant funding over 2 years from the MOPAC Violence Reduction Unit as part of the Havering My Ends Partnership, which will look at hyperlocal work within Romford Town Centre for young people.*

### AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH DECISION IS MADE

#### **Scheme 3.3.3**

*Powers common to all Strategic Directors*

#### **5. Grants**

*5.1 To apply for, accept and thereafter spend / allocate any grant funding connected with their directorate provided that any match funding or residual liabilities can be met from the existing budget of the directorate. For the avoidance of doubt this delegation shall allow the acceptance of any grant offered / allocated to the Council without any application.*

#### **Notice of delegation of responsibility for functions in accordance with:**

Paragraph 5.1 of Part 3.3

Neil Stubbings, Strategic Director of Place delegated functions within Scheme 3.3.3 to Helen Oakerbee, Director of Planning and Public Protection.

### STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The 'My Ends' Programme of engagement and activities for young people will focus on Sports based, Creative (music, arts) and Mentoring. Utilising local grassroots organisations to build on existing promising practice and develop hyperlocal interventions, which will be designed with and for young people who live in or access Romford Town Centre/ St. Edwards Ward on a daily basis.

Strategic oversight will be held by the Havering Community Safety Partnership (HCSP), whilst operational oversight will be carried out by the Serious Violence Strategic Partnership.

The plan in Year 1 is to spend £110,000 in order to fund 3 youth orientated grassroots organisations to deliver hyperlocal programmes of activity in RTC, funding a partnership hub for these organisations to work from, capture the views of young people to co-design year 2.

The Plan in Year 2 is to spend up to £170,000 on positive continuation from year 1. With additional funds going on inviting further Grassroots Organisations to make bids

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into delivering hyperlocal interventions, funding implementation of Young people's ideas from year 1.

Failure to agree and accept this grant will mean the potential loss of £280,000 for 2024-2026 to provide positive diversionary work to tackle serious youth violence and Antisocial Behaviour in Romford Town Centre. Funds need to be spent before March 31st 2026 and cannot be carried forward as per the contract in appendix 1.

The funds will be spent on the projects are set out in appendix 1.

### **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

*No alternatives to the projects set out in appendix 1 were put forward. MOPAC have imposed a very tight deadline with the grant contract offer being circulated on the 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024 with a request to sign and complete by the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024. Failure to submit a signed contract could result in loss of potential funding and a delay to diversionary activities in Romford Town Centre during a critical time period when young people are off school during the summer holidays.*

### **PRE-DECISION CONSULTATION**

*Due to the short turn around, discussions have taken place with Violence Reduction Group on the 24<sup>th</sup> July, this consists of a number of statutory partners of the Havering Community Safety.*

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

Chris Stannett

Designation: Community Safety Officer



Signature:

Date: 14/08/2024

## Part B - Assessment of implications and risks

### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 gives the Council a general power of competence to do anything an individual can do. The recommendation in this report is in keeping with this power and the Council has the power to receive the grant funding.

The use of the grant funding will need to be made pursuant to the grant terms and conditions including but not limited to the use of the grant funding and the monitoring requirements.

Appendix 1 to this report sets out the main terms of the Grant Agreement including the circumstances for funding clawback (see clause 7 of the grant agreement “Breach of Grant Agreement, Withholding and Repayment of the Grant”) and the minimum standards that MOPAC expects the Council to meet as part of the Funded Project, and the outputs and outcomes it is expected to deliver (see Annex 5 of the Grant Agreement).

The Council must also indemnify MOPAC, its officers and employees from and against all claims, costs, expenses, losses, damages and other liabilities incurred by them and arising out of or in connection with the management (including financial management) of the Grant and delivery of the Funded Project, save where such liabilities were caused by MOPAC’s negligence.

Officers are reminded to ensure that they review the terms of the grant agreement.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

All expenditure will be in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of Grant and the Council’s financial regulations. Failure to do so may result in the grant being withdrawn.

Grant monies will be claimed six months in arrears.

The Violence Reduction Grant will be allocated against the projects set out in the table below.

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>2024/25 (£m)</b>	<b>2025/26 (£m)</b>	<b>2 Year Total (£m)</b>
Initial Grassroots Organisations	0.075		0.075
Funding of Hub	0.030	0.030	0.060
Coordination and Administration	0.005	0.050	0.010
Continuation of successful Yr 1 Prog		0.075	0.075

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Youth Developed Initiatives		0.060	0.060	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>0.110</b>	<b>0.170</b>	<b>0.280</b>	
<b>Funding</b>				
MOPAC ( VRG)	-0.110	-0.170	-0.280	
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>-0.110</b>	<b>-0.170</b>	<b>-0.280</b>	
Net financial impact	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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

*The recommendations made in this report do not appear to give rise to any identifiable HR risks or implications that would affect either the Council or its workforce.*

### **EQUALITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

The Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 requires the Council, when exercising its functions, to have 'due regard' to:

- (i) The need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010;
- (ii) The need to advance equality of opportunity between persons who share protected characteristics and those who do not, and;
- (iii) Foster good relations between those who have protected characteristics and those who do not.

Note: 'Protected characteristics' are age, sex, race, disability, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnerships, religion or belief, pregnancy and maternity and gender reassignment.

The Council is committed to all of the above in the provision, procurement and commissioning of its services, and the employment of its workforce. In addition, the Council is also committed to improving the quality of life and wellbeing for all Havering residents in respect of socio-economics and health determinants.

An EqHIA (Equality and Health Impact Assessment) is usually carried out and on this occasion this isn't required

The Council seeks to ensure equality, inclusion, and dignity for all in all situations.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

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*There is no real impact expected from the work around the grant. To help minimise carbon emissions, workers will be encouraged to use public transport where possible. However it is acknowledged that the majority of diversionary work will take place in and around the town centre where, where services are within walking distance and existing transport routes will be utilised.*

*» [Climate Change Committee Guidance \(havering.gov.uk\)](http://havering.gov.uk)*

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

***Havering My-Ends Partnership Agreement  
My Ends Application***

### **APPENDICES**

<b>Appendix A</b>	<b><i>Havering My Ends Partnership Agreement</i></b>	<b><i>Open</i></b>
<b>Appendix B</b>	<b><i>My Ends Application</i></b>	<b><i>Open</i></b>

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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 H Oakerbee

Name: Helen Oakerbee, Director of Planning and Public Protection

Date: 16 August 2024

**Lodging this notice**

The signed decision notice must be delivered to Committee Services, in the Town Hall.

**For use by Committee Administration**

This notice was lodged with me on \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_