

**OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FOR HUMBERSIDE
DECISION RECORD**

Decision Record Number: **47/2022**

Title: **Youth Offending Team Support Funding 2022/23 – 2024/25**

Executive Summary:

New funding arrangements for Youth Offending Team (YOT) have been developed, as committed in the Police and Crime Plan. Business cases have now been received from all four Humberside YOTS and reviewed. This report recommends implementing the new funding arrangements on the basis of these.

Decision:

To provide funding to the YOTs based on submitted business case proposals they have developed in line with the new funding arrangements.

Background Report: Open

Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct.

Any such interests are recorded below.

The above decision has my approval.

Signature



Date 21/11/2022

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
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SUBMISSION FOR: DECISION

OPEN/CLOSED

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Date: 15 November 2022

1. Executive Summary

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2. Recommendation(s)

To provide funding to YOTs on the basis of the business case proposals that have been developed in line with the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) funding arrangements.

3. Background

Local authorities, as a requirement of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 must establish YOTs comprised of members of the police, social services, probation, health, and education. There are four YOTs in the Humberside area, one for each local authority area.

Following consultation with YOTs, the PCC has committed in the Police and Crime Plan an investment into youth offending services in each local authority area to divert young people from entering the criminal justice system.

From April 2022 this has been restructured to reduce inefficiencies identified in the previous system, improve effectiveness, and encourage further collaboration.

Funding will cover core partnership facilitation and activity over a three-year period.

The resultant funding breakdown is as follows: -

	YOT Support Fund			
	Hull	East Riding	NE Lincs	N Lincs
2022/23	136,824	120,520	86,942	82,198
2023/24	139,560	122,930	88,681	83,842
2024/25	142,352	125,389	90,455	85,519

YOT proposals

Since advising the YOTs of the new allocations, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has been working with them to secure the submission of high-quality business cases that will support the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan.

This process is now complete, and the four business cases have been reviewed and clarified where needed.

A summary of the YOTs delivery proposals is contained in Appendix 1.

4. Options appraisal

Option 1: Discontinue funding to YOTs

Funding YOTs is not a statutory requirement for the PCC. All funding could therefore be withdrawn and put to alternative use.

However, this option is not recommended, because the YOTs are reliant on this funding for co-ordinating their work and delivering some of their activities, and the PCC has already agreed the new funding arrangements with them. Some expenditure has already taken place at risk during 2022/23 with the PCC's agreement.

Option 2: Confirm the new funding arrangements and approve the YOTs proposals (recommended)

The new funding arrangements were mutually agreed and are a Police and Crime Plan commitment. The funding is allocated in the budget.

YOTs have now submitted proposals that have been checked and clarified where necessary and confirmed as being supportive of the Police and Crime

Plan. They are now ready to be contracted through grant agreements and monitored through delivery, it is therefore recommended to proceed.

5. Financial Implications

The funding outlined above is contained within the budget and planned for future years.

6. Legal Implications

The funding to YOTs will be provided via a grant offer setting out the terms of the funding. The grant agreement has been rewritten to make it clearer and improve accountability. The agreement text was checked by the Head of Legal Services.

7. Driver for Change/Contribution to Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan

The Police and Crime Plan has Effective Organisations as one of its three aims, with better partnership working a key outcome. It includes providing restructured funding to YOTs as an explicit commitment.

8. Equalities Implications

No equalities implications have been identified for the OPCC. The funding will be provided to local authorities as nominated leads on behalf of YOTs; both they and other statutory partners are subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty. YOTs were required to consider equalities implications as part of the business case template.

9. Consultation

The new arrangements have been consulted on with YOTs and have their support. Relevant OPCC staff, including the Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Finance Officer, were consulted on the funding restructure and budget allocations, and various staff have been involved in checking the YOT submissions.

10. Media information

The funding commitment to YOTs will be the subject of a joint media release.

11. Background documents

YOT business case submissions.

12. Publication

Open

13. Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) considered

A DPIA will not be required.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND APPEND THE FOLLOWING TABLE TO ALL REPORTS THAT REQUIRE A DECISION FROM THE COMMISSIONER

This matrix provides a simple check list for the things you need to have considered within your report. If there are no implications, please state

I have informed and sought advice from HR, Legal, Finance, OPCC officer(s) etc. prior to submitting this report for official comments	Yes
Is this report proposing an amendment to the budget?	No
Value for money considerations have been accounted for within the report	Yes
The report is approved by the relevant Chief Officer	Yes
I have included any procurement/commercial issues/implications within the report	Yes
I have liaised with Corporate Communications on any communications issues	Yes
I have completed an Equalities Impact Assessment and the outcomes are included within the report	Yes
I have included any equalities, diversity and or human rights implications within the report	Yes
Any Health and Safety implications are included within the report	Yes
I have included information about how this report contributes to the delivery of the Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan	Yes