OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HUMBERSIDE DECISION RECORD

Decision Record Number: 03/2023

Title: Crimestoppers Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Manager funding

2023 - 2026

Date: 4/1/23

Executive Summary:

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Decision:

That the request for continuing the partial funding towards the RM role for a minimum of 3 years from April 2023 to march 2026, at a budget of £9000 per annum, and a total cost of £27,000, funded from PCC core budget be approved.

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 request has my approval.

Signature Date 06/01/2023

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2) Background

- 2.1 Crimestoppers gives the community a voice, via an organisation that they can trust to protect their anonymity, this helps them to play their part in reducing crime and making their community safer.
- 2.2 The OPCC have supported Crimestoppers and partially funded an RM in the Yorkshire and Humber region for almost ten years, developing a wealth of knowledge and experience with the role over this time.
- 2.3 The RM post has built and reinforced the vital links and relationships between the community and law enforcement, supporting the Police, the OPCC and the Yorkshire and Humber (YaTH), Regional Organised Crime Unit (ROCU).
- 2.4The RM post facilitates access to the entire Crimestoppers' organisational expertise in crime reduction, marketing communications, fundraising and volunteering in the YaTH region.
- 2.5 This brings the advantages of reduced crime, increased media exposure, better community relations, and communities who actively engage with the crime and policing agenda.

2.6 The role of Crimestoppers RM includes:

- Focussed call to action within communities in Humberside experiencing higher levels of crime.
- Raising awareness of crimes, especially in unheard communities to increase the number of reports we receive and then send onto to the police.
- Equipping partners with resources and collaborate with them to ensure call to action is known and promoted.
- Working with Humberside PCC and Police on local Policing priorities:
- Reducing the impact of drugs on our communities;
- Reducing high-harm offending/reoffending by working together to protect the most vulnerable in society;
- Education and support for young people, preventing them being impacted by crime;
- Reduced harm through sustainable interventions aimed at domestic abuse perpetrators;
- Greater trust and confidence in urban, rural and coastal areas;
- Organisations equipped to respond to evolving crime issues;
- Place-based approaches that respond to community safety issues;
- Improved partnership working;
- Hard hitting local campaigns and respond to time critical or urgent requests for targeted calls to action;
- Recruitment & training of volunteers and ambassadors to share information about Crimestoppers, support local crime concerns & deliver outreach activities in communities;
- Driving local volunteer activity, importantly they manage the established the network of volunteers who provide a vital link between the community and law enforcement;
- Coordination of Crimestoppers National campaigns across the region and run regional and local campaigns;
- Securing additional funding for campaign activity and provide marketing and communications expertise with Humberside police and strategic partners;
- Publicising joint working and generating and managing invaluable media opportunities through local contacts and knowledge.

3) Options and Risks

Please see options appraisal below, option 1 is considered as the preferred option based on least risk and most benefit.

Option 1 – Continue to fund the RM post for Humberside with increased grant management with the OPCC.

This option is recommended because it allows the PCC to capitalise on the campaign activity, marketing and communications, raising awareness of local high harm crime and building resilience within often unheard communities across Humberside. Funding the RM post and related activity will assist in increasing reporting and build trust and confidence in communities. T

This approach also gives the opportunity to connect campaigns and ensure greater coordination with local partnerships, particularly in respect of DA and perpetrator campaigns (PHADA) and connections into crime education services and the education partnership.

Option 2 - Do nothing - don't fund

This option is not recommended as it would be a lost opportunity to realise the benefits from campaign activity, marketing and communications and awareness raising. There would be lost opportunities in terms of building resilience within communities across Humberside. This option would also contribute towards less reported crime for Humberside Police and reduced intelligence (anonymous, actionable calls, which lead to arrests and positive outcomes from hard to reach communities).

4) Financial Implications

The current annual requirement is £9,000 per annum.

The funding request for 3 years RM is £27,000.

5) Legal Implications

None

6) Equalities Implications

None

7) Consultation

There will be improved local consultation on campaigns and educational resources.

8) Media information

None immediately

Comms support on campaign development and distribution.

9) Background documents

None.

10) Publication

Open

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?	Yes
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	As required
I have completed an Equalities Impact Assessment and the outcomes are included within the report	No
I have included any equalities, diversity and or human rights implications within the report	No
Any Health and Safety implications are included within the report	No
I have included information about how this report contributes to the delivery of the Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan	Yes