



DECISION RECORD

Decision Record Number 208

This document records a decision taken by the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, together with details of the advice he received prior to taking the decision.

Decision taken

The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner has taken the decision to:

Allocate £264.8K to pump prime the delivery of joint enabling functions and strengthen internal controls within police and fire to provide the foundation to build from for the joint services. The funding requested is fixed term and/or one off and consists of:

- Provision of another qualified accountant to support internal controls within the Fire and Rescue Service, as well as providing some support to Northamptonshire Police for a fixed term of 18 months - £110K
- Extension to an existing project role to support the setting up of Darby House and Enabling Services for a further 6 months, bring that in line with other elements of the project - £40K
- Purchase of strategic external support from Gartner to drive benefits within the digital agenda of both organisations - £114.8K

These will be considered within the joint functions and built into future business cases should the roles be required for the longer term as part of reviews of the arrangements. This funding will support work streams relating to setting up enabling services including agile working policies and work related to the Darby House move, immediate digital requirements and support to deliver more resilience and efficiency in relation to Fire Financial and Internal Controls.

Details of advice taken

Professional financial and legal advice has been sought to ensure the decision best supports business need and represents value for money.

Stephen Mold
Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner
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