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REPORT / SUMMARY DECISION SHEET

PURPOSE: COMMISSIONER DECISION

Timing: Urgent / Pressing / Routine
(Specify date required and why, where possible)

Title: Crimestoppers Bureau contribution 2014/15

Category of Decision / Business Area Impact: Finance

Executive Summary:

Since 2004 the Crimestoppers Bureau Charity has delivered a contact centre service for all police forces in the UK to receive anonymous information from the public (via phone and online) and pass this into force intelligence bureaux. Prior to that police forces resourced this function in house, but a central service was seen to deliver a 24/7 service at a much reduced cost. In an agreement made by Chief Officer's Council the total cost for this service is split between each force area proportionate to its size (based on the Police Grant).

The cost to forces in England and Wales will remain at the same level for 2014-15 as this year.

Recommendation:

The Commissioner approves the contribution of £12,417 (plus VAT) towards the Crimestoppers Bureau for 2014/15.

Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys

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 the NOLAN Principles for Conduct in Public Life.

The above has my approval.

Signature:

CPR Salmon

Date:

6/2/2014



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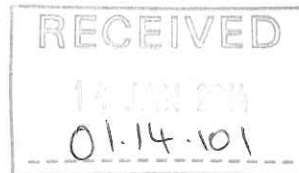
Call anonymously with information about crime

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10th January 2014

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*Clare,
To raise @ PB for CC ideas
I'm happy to continue.
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Dear Commissioner

Salmon,

It is customary each year for us to write to Chief Constables regarding the force's financial contribution for the delivery of the Crimestoppers service for the next period. Noting the changes in financial arrangements we are now writing to all Police and Crime Commissioners.

Since 2004 the Charity has delivered a contact centre service for all police forces in the UK to receive anonymous information from the public (via phone and online) and pass this into force intelligence bureaux. Prior to that police forces resourced this function in house, but a central service was seen to deliver a 24/7 service at a much reduced cost. In an agreement made by Chief Officer's Council the total cost for this service is split between each force area proportionate to its size (based on the Police Grant). This was deemed to be the most equitable way of delivering the same quality of service to all people with information about crime who were in need of anonymity.

The National Policing Lead for Crimestoppers, currently ACC Ruth Purdie (Cheshire), has traditionally overseen the setting of the total cost for this service each year at the Crimestoppers Working Group meeting. Last week Members of this meeting, Directors of Intelligence, welcomed the Charity's proposal that the cost to forces in England and Wales would remain at the same level for 2014-15 as this year. In fact, due to efficiencies made in the delivery of the service there has been no growth in the budget for this service in the last 7 years, amounting to a saving of nearly 20% over this time (based on inflation). Concurrently the number of people making contact with Crimestoppers has increased resulting in a 24% growth in intelligence delivered to UK police forces.

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Dyfed-Powys' contribution for the Crimestoppers Bureau for 2014-15 will be £12,417 (plus VAT). To support the financial arrangements would you please arrange for your finance team to liaise with our Finance Officer, Donna Spalding (donna.spalding@crimestoppers-uk.org) on the necessary purchase order number for the whole year. Note that this service is provided by the trading subsidiary of Crimestoppers Trust, Treble 5 Treble 1 Ltd.

Every week I hear from Crimestoppers' volunteers and staff that PCCs are seeing the value that our anonymous service brings to individuals, communities and policing, supporting the prevention, reduction and detection of crimes. I should like to thank you in advance for the continuation of this unique service to all communities, as collectively we all benefit in this collaboration between every police force area.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Hallas', with a stylized flourish underneath.

Mark Hallas OBE
Chief Executive

cc Jackie Roberts QPM, Chief Constable - Dyfed-Powys