

DMPC Decision – PCD 2028

Title: National Police Chief's Council Home Office Reform Grant Variation 2025/26

Executive Summary:

The Home Office awarded the National Police Chiefs' Council £5.65m through the 2025/26 Police Settlement to fund National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) Reform.

The grant included funding for ongoing development and service delivery from the NPCC Strategic Hub, the Joint Police Reform Programme, NPCC roles supporting the Police Efficiency and Collaboration Programme, and the NPCC Criminal Justice Programme Team.

The Home Office is providing additional funding of £4.47m on top of the approved grant of £5.65m (Ref: Appendix 1b PCD 1949), bringing the total to £10.12m.

This paper seeks approval to accept the additional Home Office grant of £4.47m for 2025/26 to support Digital, Data and Technology activity and NPCC priority programme and operational activity.

Recommendation:

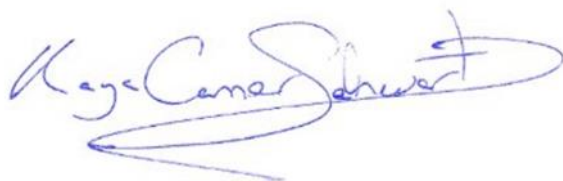
The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime is recommended to:

1. Approve receipt of £4.47m in additional grant funding in 2025/26 from the Home Office to support the NPCC Reform Programme and the NPCC Digital, Data and Technology (DDaT) Coordination Committee.

Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime

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 Code of Conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.



Signature

Date 26/03/2026

PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE DMPC

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1. The Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) hosts the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC).
- 1.2. In December 2025, MOPAC approved the receipt of £5.65m of Home Office grant funding to support ongoing development and service delivery from the NPCC Strategic Hub, as well as the Joint Police Reform Programme, NPCC roles supporting the Police Efficiency and Collaboration Programme, and the NPCC Criminal Justice Programme Team (ref: Appendix 1b PCD 1949).

2. Issues for consideration

- 2.1. This paper is requesting approval to accept additional grant funding of £4.47m from the Home Office, which will support the NPCC in delivering DDaT services and improvements, and NPCC programme activity, including:
 - Microsoft 365(M365) Developments: to design and build a M365 plan including a Neighbourhood Policing app
 - DDaT Convergence Op Model Development and Delivery: to design and develop a tripartite management function across policing
 - Technology Strategy: Development of an IT Strategy and a 10-year roadmap for policing
 - Force Review: a force review, including admin costs, to understand the suitability of the force to be a pilot force for delivery of new DDaT and M365 services
 - National Tenant and Strategic Outline Business Case for National Police Service (NPS), formally National Centre of Policing (NCoP): NPS requires a tenant to be built and a business case to be developed to consider a making this a national tenant for forces to use
 - Convergence Review: to scope how to bring together Home Office Police and Public Protection Technology (PPPT) and Police Digital Services
 - ACPO Criminal Records Office; ACPO is the former Association of Chief Police Officers (ACRO) Shared Services Development: to develop shared service options to bring together central ticket office functions under ACRO
 - NPCC Support to the UK Covid19 Public Inquiry: to provide multiple witness statements and supporting evidential material
 - OPAL Team: intelligence and coordination function for organised vehicle crime bringing together a nationwide multi-agency operation and European wide collaborations
 - Policing National Coordinator Role for Operation Bridges: ongoing planning, support and national coordination of the Op Bridges plans
 - NPCC Aviation Strategy: build an overall aviation strategy for policing across England and Wales, and case for aviation support.

3. Financial Comments

- 3.1. The £4.47m funding has been budgeted for by the NPCC to cover all planned costs and will be fully used by national policing functions in 2025/26, with no underspend expected and any overspend met by the NPCC. There is no financial exposure to MOPAC.

4. Legal Comments

- 4.1. This grant variation will be paid to MOPAC, as the host organisation for the NPCC, in exercise of the power conferred upon the Secretary of State for the Home Department under Section 57 of the Police Act 1996.
- 4.2. Under paragraph 4.8 of the MOPAC Scheme of Consent and Delegation the DMPC has delegated authority to approve “Bids for grant funding made and all offers made of grant funding; and/or where appropriate a strategy for grant giving”.
- 4.3. The Grant Agreement will be published under the Elected Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011.

5. GDPR and Data Privacy

- 5.1. The MPS is subject to the requirements and conditions placed on it as a 'State' body to comply with the European Convention of Human Rights and the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018. Both legislative requirements place an obligation on the MPS to process personal data fairly and lawfully to safeguard the rights and freedoms of individuals.
- 5.2. Under Article 35 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Section 57 of the DPA 2018, Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA) become mandatory for organisations with technologies and processes that are likely to result in a high risk to the rights of the data subjects.
- 5.3. The receipt of Home Office funding does not involve the use of personally identifiable data of members of the public, so there are no GDPR issues to be considered.

6. Equality Comments

- 6.1. MOPAC is required to comply with the public sector equality duty set out in section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010. This requires MOPAC to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations by reference to people with protected characteristics. The protected characteristics are: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 6.2. No issues have been identified relating to equality or diversity.

7. Background/supporting papers

- Appendix 1a NPCC Paper. Home Office Funding to National Police Chiefs' Council
- Appendix 1b PCD1949 Home Office Reform Grant Funding 2025/26.

Public access to information

Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and will be made available on the MOPAC website following approval.

If immediate publication risks compromising the implementation of the decision, it can be deferred until a specific date. Deferral periods should be kept to the shortest length strictly necessary.

Part 1 Deferral:

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? No

If yes, for what reason:

Until what date:

Part 2 Confidentiality: Only the facts or advice considered as likely to be exempt from disclosure under the FOIA should be in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a **Part 2** form – No.

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION

Tick to confirm statement (✓)

Head of Unit:

The Chief Finance Officer and Director of Corporate services has reviewed the request and is satisfied it is correct and consistent with the MOPAC's plans and priorities.

✓

Legal Advice:

The MPS legal team has been consulted on the proposal.

✓

Equalities Advice:

Equality and diversity issues are covered in the body of the report.

✓

GDPR/Data Privacy

GDPR compliance issues are covered in the body of the report.

✓

Drafting Officer

Stephen Kalyango has drafted this report in accordance with MOPAC procedures.

✓

Director/Head of Service:

The Chief Finance Officer and Director of Corporate Services has reviewed the request and is satisfied it is correct and consistent with the MOPAC's plans and priorities.

✓

Chief Executive Officer

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime.

Date 25/03/2026