

REQUEST FOR DMPC DECISION – PCD 355**Title: Special Police Services Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership****Executive Summary:**

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There is provision in the SPS Agreement for SVDP to formally request to extend the SPS Agreement for further subsequent 12-month periods. Due to this provision the approval of the SPS Agreement is viewed as requiring the approval of the DMPC.

Recommendation:

The DMPC is asked to

1. Approve the Special Police Services Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership under Section 25 of the Police Act 1996.
2. The request for SPS is for an initial term of 12 months from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 to be provided by a dedicated police team of 0.5 of a Police Sergeant and four Police Constables at an estimated cost in year one of £306,686.
3. Note there is provision in the SPS Agreement for SVDP to formally request to extend the SPS Agreement for further subsequent 12-month periods. Due to this provision the approval of the SPS Agreement is viewed as requiring the approval of the DMPC.

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

Spivey

Date

19/03/18

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

Decision required – supporting report

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1. Stratford Village Development Partnership (SVDP) has requested special police services (SPS) under Section 25 of the Police Act 1996 for the provision of SPS. The request for SPS is for an initial term of 12 months from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 to be provided by a dedicated police team of 0.5 of a Police Sergeant and four Police Constables at an estimated cost in year one of £306,686.
- 1.2. The role of the funded police officers is to provide SPS to SVDP with a focus on visible patrols to combat crime and anti-social behaviour and partnership activity in the East Village of the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park (QEOP) managed by SVDP, which is a residential district at the site of the Olympic Village for the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

2. Issues for consideration

- 2.1. There is provision in the SPS Agreement for SVDP to formally request to extend the SPS Agreement for further subsequent 12 month periods. Due to this provision the approval of the SPS Agreement is viewed as requiring the approval of the DMPC.

3. Financial Comments

- 3.1. The charge for SPD to SVDP for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 is reflective of the full cost recovery of 0.5 of a Police Sergeant at £39,473 and four Police Constables at £65,858 per Police Constable. The total cost of the 0.5 of a Police Sergeant and four Police Constables for each successive year of the SPS Agreement would be adjusted to ensure it continues to represent full cost recovery.

4. Legal Comments

- 4.1. The MPS may provide policing resources to SVDP under Section 25 of the Police Act 1996. Under that Act the Commissioner may, at the request of any person, provide SPS at any premises or in any locality in the police area for which the force is maintained, subject to payment to MOPAC on charges on such scale and on such terms as it may determine.
- 4.2. The final decision rest with the DMPC as Section 4.8 of the MOPAC Scheme of Consent and Delegation requires the DMPC to approve the provision of policing services to external bodies where the contract value is £500,000 or above.

5. Equality Comments

- 5.1. SVDP, through its involvement, with the East End London Community Foundation, is keen to build a strong sense of community across the whole of the development. It also works with local groups and projects that have a tangible, positive impact on the community and through its 'Inspiring Communities Fund' provides grants to support them.
- 5.2. There are no aspects from the above approach which would cause MOPAC any cause for concern in agreeing to provide the SPS that SVDP has requested.

6. Background/supporting papers

- 6.1. Report

Public access to information

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and other legislation. Part 1 of this form will be made available on the MOPAC website within 1 working day of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made automatically available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form. Deferment is only applicable where release before that date would compromise the implementation of the decision being approved.

Part 1 Deferral:

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

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 rational for non-publication.

Is there a **part 2** form – No

If yes, for what reason: EXEMPT under Article 2(2)(a) of the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011.

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

Head of Unit: The Head of Strategic Finance and Resource Management 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.	✓
Financial Advice: The Head of Strategic Finance and Resource Management has been consulted on this proposal.	✓
Equalities Advice: No Equality and Diversity issues identified.	✓

OFFICER APPROVAL**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.

Signature

R. Lawrence

Date

13/03/18

MAYOR OF LONDON
OFFICE FOR POLICING AND CRIME

Special Police Services Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership

MOPAC Investment Advisory Board 22 March 2018

Report by Assistant Commissioner Territorial Policing and the Director of Commercial and Finance on behalf of the Deputy Commissioner

Part 1 – This section of the report will be published by MOPAC. It is classified as OFFICIAL – PUBLIC

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Section 4.8 of the MOPAC Scheme of Delegation and Consent requires the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime (DMPC) to approve the provision of policing services to external bodies where the contract value is £500,000 or above. The ability to seek successive annual extensions of the Agreement after year one is viewed as warranting the approval of the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC).

It is recommended that the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime to approve of the SPS Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership.

Time Sensitivity

A decision is required by 26 March 2018 to ensure legal compliance with the term of the SPS Agreement which has a start date of the 1 April 2018 and in recognition of the potential impact of purdah due to local elections in London.

Recommendations

The MPS Portfolio & Investment Board (PIB) is asked to:

- 1. Recommend to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime the approval of the Special Police Services Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership.**

If supported by the MPS Portfolio & Investment Board, the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, via the Investment Advisory Board (IAB), is asked to:

- 1. Approve the Special Police Services Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership.**

Time sensitivity

A decision is required from the Deputy Mayor by 26 March 2018. This is because the Start Date of the Special Police Services Agreement with Stratford Village Development Partnership is the 1 April 2018. There is also the matter of the commencement of purdah on 27 March 2018 to be considered due to this Agreement being specific to one local area.

Non-confidential facts and advice to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime

Introduction and background

1. Stratford Village Development Partnership (SVDP) has requested special police services (SPS) under Section 25 of the Police Act 1996 for the provision of SPS. The request for SPS is for an initial term of 12 months from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 to be provided by a dedicated police team of 0.5 of a Police Sergeant and four Police Constables at an estimated cost in year one of £306,686.
2. There is provision in the SPS Agreement for SVDP to formally request to extend the SPS Agreement for further subsequent 12 month periods. Due to this provision the approval of the SPS Agreement is viewed as requiring the approval of the DMPC.
3. The role of the funded police officers is to provide SPS to SVDP with a focus on visible patrols to combat crime and anti-social behaviour and partnership activity in the East Village of the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park (QEOP) managed by SVDP, which is a residential district at the site of the Olympic Village for the 2012 Olympic Games In London.
4. The funded police officers provided to SVDP are part of a wider policing response to the QEOP. The response is necessary as the QEOP sits across the geographical boundaries of four London Boroughs, and does not fit into the general placement of Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London nor recent developments in terms of Dedicated Ward officers as the QEOP has no council wards. The wider policing response comprises a police team of two Police Sergeants and twelve Police Constables.
5. Newham Borough Operational Command Unit (BOCU) provides one Police Sergeant and six Police Constables provided from the BOCU establishment to discharge their core policing responsibilities. A further Police Sergeant and six Police Constables are funded officers by way of SPS. Of the funded officers, two separate companies provide the funding through separate SPS Agreements. SVDP fund the numbers of officers described in paragraph 1 above. A different company (Stratford City Business District) has a separate SPS Agreement to fund 0.5 of a Police Sergeant and two Police Constables in the International Quarter District of the QEOP, which is an area encompassing both office and residential accommodation.
6. The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime to approve of the Special Police Services Agreement with SVDP.

Issues for consideration

7. There are no issues of consideration upon which the DMPC needs to be informed.

Contributes to the MOPAC Police & Crime Plan 2017-2021

8. The SPS Agreement with SVDP provides funded officers who have a key focus in combatting anti-social behaviour in the East Village in the QEOP which the consultation undertaken for the Police and Crime Plan views as an important local policing priority in every Borough.

Financial, Commercial and Procurement Comments

9. The charge for SPD to SVDP for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 is reflective of the full cost recovery of 0.5 of a Police Sergeant at £39,473 and four Police Constables at £65,858 per Police Constable. The total cost of the 0.5 of a Police Sergeant and four Police Constables for each successive year of the SPS Agreement would be adjusted to ensure it continues to represent full cost recovery.
10. East Village is a large scale residential development located in QEOP which once complete will comprise of 4,818 homes. There are also commercial outlets and a primary school.
11. The objectives of the police team include:
 - to reduce the level of crime;
 - to reduce the level of disorder;
 - to increase the feelings of safety among those who live, work and visit the East Village.
12. The benefit to the MPS of the provision of the funded officers at SVDP is, in liaison with the core police officers who go to make up the full police team, an ability to work with SVDP's own security team in ensuring the residents of East Village are reassured and safe in their own home and make the location a far more difficult area for criminals to operate. The presence of the funded officers within the police team will reduce the level of emergency calls that Newham Police would have to respond and thereby ensure resources are not diverted from the policing of the remainder of the Borough.
13. In the event that the SPS Agreement was not renewed by SVDP, as these posts are additional posts above the workforce target for Newham Borough Command Unit, the posts would be removed and the officers filling these positions would be redeployed.

Legal Comments

14. There are no direct legal issues identified from the recommendations set out in this report.
15. The MPS may provide policing resources to SVDP under Section 25 of the Police Act 1996. Under that Act the Commissioner may, at the request of any person, provide SPS at any premises or in any locality in the police area for which the force is maintained, subject to payment to MOPAC on charges on such scale and on such terms as it may determine.

16. The final decision rest with the DMPC as Section 4.8 of the MOPAC Scheme of Consent and Delegation requires the DMPC to approve the provision of policing services to external bodies where the contract value is £500,000 or above.

Equality Comments

17. SVDP, through its involvement, with the East End London Community Foundation, is keen to build a strong sense of community across the whole of the development. It also works with local groups and projects that have a tangible, positive impact on the community and through its 'Inspiring Communities Fund' provides grants to support them.
18. There are no aspects from the above approach which would cause MOPAC any cause for concern in agreeing to provide the SPS that SVDP has requested.

Privacy Comments

19. There are no privacy issues identified with this proposal.

Real Estate Implications

20. SVDP have provided a facility within the SPS area to house the police team, including the funded officers. This will provide SVDP with the optimum service and ensure that the officers do not have to travel to remote locations to deal with domestic aspects such as booking on/off and to undertake investigations. It also provides a base where the residents etc. of East Village can attend to liaise with the officers as appropriate. This facility is to be provided at no cost to MOPAC.
21. The Lease with regard to the facility is being progressed and is expected to be concluded to formal sign off by each party by the end of May 2018. The officers will operate out of a MPS building in the vicinity of the SPS area in the interim as from the Start Date and will only move into the accommodation once the Lease is formally agreed.

Environmental Implications

22. There are no environmental implications identified with this proposal.

Background/supporting papers

None

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Part 2 – This section refers to the details of the Part 2 business case which is NOT SUITABLE for MOPAC Publication.

There are no matters in this report which are not suitable for MOPAC publication.