

**Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner**  
**Notice of Decision**



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<b>For Decision or Information</b>	Decision
<b>Date received*:</b>	20.01.21
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\*to be inserted by Office of PCC

**TITLE:** Property Act Fund

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Operation Eliminate has been funded by monies drawn from the OPCC held Police property fund. The force views this work as a priority due to the increasing risks posed from the increase in volume of both physical and digital exhibits. Ongoing work is taking place to devise a strategy to better manage this work-stream in the future but the legacy review activity needs to progress in tandem and at pace.

Consequently an application is sought for funding of £49.4k in the 21/22 financial year to maintain a staffing level of 3.00 FTE in post until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in order to apply this methodology into the core A&E estate.

Accompanying this is a formal review of A&E which is scheduled to report in January 21. It is anticipated that this review will present opportunities for improved workflows, structures and practices. Once implemented this should improve the capacity and capability of the function and enable it to better manage demand.

In line with Reg 6 of the Police Property Regulations 1997 which states:

(4) The moneys, including income from investments standing to the credit of the Fund shall be applicable—

(a) to defray expenses incurred in the conveyance, storage and safe custody of the property and in connection with its sale and otherwise in executing these Regulations;

Advice received from Legal Services is that the money available in the PPAF can be used to support this decision record.

It is requested that funding of £49.4k is made available in 21/22 to support the work being undertaken. This request is being presented early to give the agency staff confirmation that the contracts can continue beyond 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

**INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (e.g report or business case)**

The force currently employs staff on temporary contracts for the sole purpose of assessing, reviewing and removing property no longer requested.

Total overall for continuation of Op Eliminate, predicted 21/22 staff pay costs is £49.4k.

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION** (please include if it is capital or revenue or both. What the split is and the totals being requested. Is this a virement/ something already budgeted for or something that requires additional funding. Are there any savings that can be offered up/or achieved)

As set out above, £49.4k of revenue funds to be made available from within the Property Act Fund, and allocated in the 2021/22 financial year to cover the costs of removing and assessing the property that is currently stored.

Signature:   
Chief Finance Officer

Date: 22nd January 2021

**Is any of the supporting information classified as non-public or confidential information\*\*?**

Yes		No	x
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If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance\*\*

**DECISION:**

To agree to £49.4k of revenue within the Property Act Funding, is transferred and made available for use in 21/22 having discussed, agreed and met the following legal criteria;

**OFFICER APPROVAL**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the appropriate 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 Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signature:   
Chief Executive

Date: 27/1/21

**DECLARATION:**

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval.

Signature:   
**Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner**

Date: 27/1/21

\*\* See guidance on non-public information