



# Request for a Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner Decision

## SECTION 1

Please identify who is requesting the decision:			
OPFCC Decision		Decision Number:	
<b>CCFRA Decision</b>	Y	Decision Number:	CF 019/2024
Constabulary Decision		Decision Number:	

(Please indicate whether this is a PART 1 or PART 2 decision (For Part 2 decisions, only the Section 1 is to be published))

<b>PART 1 Decision:</b>	Y	<b>PART 2 Decision:</b>	
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**DECISION TITLE: 2025/26 Capital Investment Strategy, Treasury Management Strategy Statement**

**Executive Summary:** (no more than 100 words)  
 The Commissioner is asked to approve the Capital Investment Strategy for 2025/26 and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2025/26.

**Recommendation:**

The Commissioner is asked to:

- approve the Capital Investment Strategy for 2025/26 and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2025/26.

**Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner**

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for Cumbria Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner. Any such interests are recorded below.

I hereby:

**approve**

do not approve

the recommendations as set out above.

Delete as appropriate:

**Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner / Chief Executive (delete as appropriate)**

**Signature:**

**David Allen**

**Date: 04/02/2025**

## **SECTION 2**

**PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS BELOW WITH FACTS AND ADVICE FOR THE PFCC**

### **1. Introduction & Background**

- 1.1 It is a legal requirement for the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner to annually set a balanced budget and to allocate funds to the Chief Fire Officer to secure the maintenance of the Fire and Rescue Service for Cumbria. The attached reports set out the proposed budgets and the advice of the CCFRA Chief Finance Officer regarding their approval. This decision is in relation to the Capital Investment Strategy and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement.

### **2. Issues for Consideration**

- 2.1 Please see attached reports.

### **3. Implications**

**(List and include views of all those consulted, whether they agree or disagree and why. Must be completed prior to submission).**

#### 3.1. Financial

As set out in the attached reports

#### 3.2. Legal

It is a legal requirement to annually set a balanced budget and determine the police precept.

#### 3.3. Risk

The Local Government Act 2003 report documents the risks to the financial forecasts. Specific operational reserves and contingencies and general balances have been set at a level that in the view of the CCFRA Chief Finance Officer is reasonable in the context of those risks that it is possible to provide for.

#### 3.4. HR / Equality

The proposed budget provides resources used by the Fire and Rescue Service. The Commissioner has arrangements in place to hold the Chief Fire Officer to account in respect of the Public Sector Equality Duty. The budget is subject to an equality impact assessment. The 2025/26 budgets for the Fire and Rescue Service provide resources to maintain establishment numbers.

#### 3.5. I.T.

The budgets and capital programme are supported by a comprehensive Digital Data and Technology strategy. There are significant implications for ICT following from the investment proposed for both capital and revenue to support the delivery of the strategy.

3.6. Procurement

There are significant procurement implications arising from the budgets in respect of both revenue supplies and services expenditure and procurement of large capital estate and ICT schemes. Procurement regulations require procurement business partners to lead and/or support business managers in any significant or complex procurement activity.

4. **Backgrounds / supporting papers**

(List any relevant business case, EIA, PID, Media Strategy and append to this form; list persons consulted during the preparation of the report)

Add link to Police, Fire and Crime Plan, CRMP, Commissioning Strategy, etc