

Committee: Finance Committee	Date: 6 June 2017
Subject: Decisions taken under Delegated Authority or Urgency since the last meeting of the Committee	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Information
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Summary

This report advises Members of action taken by the Town Clerk since the last meeting of the Committee, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a) and 41(b).

This action was to make a donation of £25,000 to the British Red Cross and Manchester City Council's We Love Manchester Emergency Appeal.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the report.

Main report

Donation to the British Red Cross and Manchester City Council's We Love Manchester Appeal

Background

1. On 22 May, 22 people were tragically killed in an explosion at the Manchester Arena. Dozens more were injured. Many of the people killed or injured were children. Manchester City Council launched the We Love Manchester Emergency Fund, an appeal in partnership with the British Red Cross, to support those affected by the attack.
2. Through the London Emergencies Trust, the City Bridge Trust (CBT) advised Manchester on the funding and distribution aspects of this appeal. In addition, a CBT employee, with considerable experience of appeals following the 7/7 bombings, travelled to Manchester to share his expertise in this area with Manchester colleagues.
3. Following the Westminster Bridge attack on 22 March 2017, CBT agreed a contribution of £75,000 to support survivors and the families of those affected.

Action Taken

4. The Town Clerk, following consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Finance Committee, approved a donation of £25,000 to the Red Cross and Manchester City Council's We Love Manchester Emergency Appeal, funded from the Finance Committee's City Cash Contingency Fund for National and International Disasters.

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