Frontline Safety Improvement Programme





Keeping our frontline safer

Purpose

Against a backdrop of a dynamic and unpredictable frontline policing environment, NZ Police proposes the delivery of the Tactical Response Model (TRM) to improve officer safety and increase overall frontline capability, while also retaining generally unarmed policing services.

Options for delivering The Tactical Response Model

ACCELERATED

2.5 years

DELAYED PHASING

3

3 years

P21 REALLOCATION

BASELINE FUNDED

4 years

Description and Delivery Approach

Total Funding Contributions (4yr)

POLICE GOVERNMENT

Requirement

Primarily funded by government and frontloaded to ensure delivery is at pace and benefits are realised starting year 1.

Primarily funded by government and funding release and implementation is phased. Benefits are realised starting year 3.

3.5 years

Funding for s 9(2)(f)(iv) (under P21) intended for Organised Crime will be reallocated to meet the in the proposed model.

Police will be making trade offs to free up resources and funds for this investment. This will delay implementation and extend the delivery period (4-5 years).

FY21/22 Funding

13m Opex

15.5m Opex

16.5m Capex

2

Considerations

- Tactical Response staff will be appropriately trained, equipped and deployed at earliest opportunity
- Community expectations will be met, with minimal impact to service delivery standards
- Frontline training to staff will be delivered as fast as possible
- A slower paced implementation will reduce the ability to efficiently and effectively restructure operational environments to mitigate current
- A slower paced approach has trade offs with both staff expectations around safety concerns and community service levels for high risk events
- More time required for staged implementation and assessment of new deployment framework
- Future P21 improvements alongside planned outcomes committed to government will not be fully delivered (in Organised Crime area)
- Government will be assured that Tactical Response staff will be appropriately trained, equipped and deployed – increased response capability
- Trade-offs (requiring further) consideration) will be necessary to transfer resources currently assigned to prevention and partnership activity – to bolster response.
- Service delivery standards and community expectations will likely be impacted

Risk to existing service and public confidence

Police will contribute to all options through reprioritising existing resources. As reprioritisation existing resource increases, so does risk including:

- Police's ability to deliver proactive prevention activity
- Police's ability to work in partnership with iwi & community groups
- Ability to identify and combat organised crime due to planned '1800' investigation reprioritisation
- Service level impacts, such time spent at mental health and family harm events

LOWER

HIGHER