

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE *DECISION RECORD*

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DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Date: 19/11/2019

Officers present: Paul Dawkins, Chief Finance Officer

Received in OPCC Date:

OPCC Ref: E12219

Title: Release Reserves early to purchase additional Body Worn Video Equipment

Summary of Issue:

The OPCC holds an equipment reserve which is used to purchase operational equipment including Body Worn Video (BWV), of which £400k is set aside in 2020/21 to fund additional BWV equipment.

The IT department has requested that £138k of the £400k reserve which is earmarked for 2020/21, be made available for 2019/20 to fund the BWV equipment necessary for the additional 80 (of 107) Police Officers being recruited this financial year. L&D have advised that they are scheduling 508 training places until the end-March 2020 of which, all attendees will require BWV to be issued.

The supplier, Reveai Media, have offered to all Forces the opportunity to purchase remaining stock of our general deployment model of BWV camera. They had previously advised that the camera model is no longer available. Later models are available but they are not compatible with our in-house version of the server software. Upgrading our infrastructure is a significant task that cannot be resourced at this time, to complete this work would require scheduling over other high priority work.

Being unable to purchase these devices or not completing the server upgrade would mean that we would not be able to meet demand for devices beyond January 2020.

Other Information to consider:

- It is anticipated that the Force will decide not to proceed with the BWV solution provided regionally for firearms officers. This has not been completed, is unlikely to be required and cannot be resourced. This solution does not support our general deployment model of camera.
- Purchasing these cameras now will not represent a technical risk to the Force, the model has simply been superseded.
- We will also purchase a number of BWV docks to support the increased numbers.
- We will schedule the server upgrades to the latest version as resources become available.

Recommendation(s) presented:

- Support the application to release reserves early to fund additional BWV equipment, bringing £138k of reserves earmarked for 2020/21 forward to 2019/20.

Key discussion points

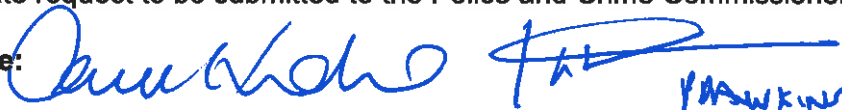
It was resolved that:

OFFICE OF PCC APPROVAL

Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that 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:



Name:

Paul Henderson

Date:

28/11/19

Publication Scheme

Decision of Monitoring Officer:

As Monitoring Officer for the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire I have determined that:

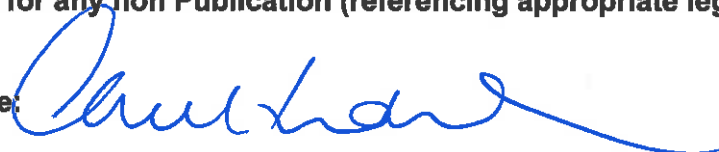
It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner : **Yes**

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the report proposing this course of action prepared by either of the senior post holders in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire (i.e. either the Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer) : **Yes**

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire : **Yes**

Reasons for any non Publication (referencing appropriate legislation): None

Signature:



Name: Paul Hinson Date: 28/11/19

Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire

Having received the advice set out above and reviewed relevant documentation my decision in regard of this matter is:

Supported

Signature: W. Bous Date: 2.12.19