

# **POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE DECISION RECORD**

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## **DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

**Date: 14/10/2020**

**Officers present: Lord Bach, Kirk Masters, Paul Hindson, Paul Dawkins, Andy Furlong, Simon Down, Kira Hughes**

**Received in OPCC Date: 01/10/2020**

**OPCC Ref: EXE0026-20**

**Title: Utilise EMSOU Reserves/underspends to fund the capital asset replacement programme for the Fingerprint Enhancement Lab (FEL)**

### **Summary of Issue:**

The FEL was established in April 2015 and used recycled equipment from the 5 forces. This equipment is now either inefficient or no longer supported for service and maintenance.

The FEL is currently working with dated technology and equipment, which is regularly breaking down. The lab submissions have increased by **31%**, in the last year which has put more pressure on the staff and the aging equipment. Most of the equipment in the lab is out of their service and maintenance contracts as they are now obsolete and the manufacturers have stopped supporting them.

The solution is to replace the older kit with new, more efficient and technologically advanced equipment. This would not only improve the quality of results but will also make the process more streamlined, timely and save resources.

The equipment replacement plan is a cornerstone of the 3-year FEL plan providing a more realistic and pragmatic view to this issue. The 3-year equipment replacement plan proposed is:

Year 1 – £132,000

Year 2 – Est. £140,000

Year 3 – Est. £230,000

### **Recommendation(s) presented:**

That the EMSOU Asset Replacement Reserve or EMSOU underspends are utilised to fund the FEI Replacement requirement. This will be consistent with the replacement plan for other EMSOU Assets on the 4 year Regional Capital Programme.

**Key discussion points**

**It was resolved that:**

Agreed for use of EMSOU reserves or underspend to fund the capital replacement programme of FEL

**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 Dawkins**

**Date: 06/11/2020**

**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: Angela Perry**

**Date: 13.11.20**

**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** \_\_\_\_\_

*Wally Burt*

**Date: 24/11/20** \_\_\_\_\_