POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER (PCC) FOR LINCOLNSHIRE REQUEST FOR DECISION

REF: 027-2015 DATE: 4 August 2015

SUBJECT	IL4 joint solution for CAID and ViSOR			
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report seeks approval of the business case to build an IL4 network environment to implement the Child Abuse Image Database (CAID) and upgrade the Violent and Sexual Offenders Register (ViSOR).

An opportunity exists to deliver a solution that will fulfil the requirements of both systems and provide a scalable confidential network environment to meet the future needs of the force in an area of crime which is increasing.

That approval is given to enable the purchase of equipment and services to provide an IL4 network environment; with capital requirements to be met from the earmarked reserve established in 2014/15 for this purpose, and ongoing revenue requirements from 2016/17 being met from the existing revenue budget.

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this report.

Signature:

Date:

06/08/15

NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC A.

A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The profile of recorded crime is changing, with a significant rise in cyber enabled crime relating to child sexual exploitation.

In July 2013, the Prime Minister committed to delivering 'a single, secure database' of indecent images of children by the end of 2014 with all forces connected and using it this year. CAID (Child Abuse Image Database) is the result.

After some considerable delay in the national programme (partly due to the interdependency of the transition from PNN to PSN), nine forces are now connected to and benefiting from CAID, enabling them to focus more on image analysis to identify victims (West Yorkshire Police has identified over 20 victims of child sexual abuse in four months).

Starting to use CAID for triage has contributed to savings through the ability to reduce numbers of submissions to High Tech Crime Units, streamline investigations, move to charging pleas swiftly, reduce bail terms and ensure safeguarding measures can be put into place quickly.

CAID requires forces to have a communications network that is confidential (compliant to IL4 security level) and bandwidth that is larger than that currently available in Lincolnshire.

At the same time as the early development of the national CAID project, Lincolnshire identified a change requirement for the Violent and Sex Offender Register (ViSOR) system.

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By combining the requirements of the two systems, it is possible to find a joint solution that meets the security needed for each system, eliminates the duplication of work by ICT on the individual projects and provides capability for future improvements in effectiveness through strengthening the ability of the force to send and receive confidential information.

The force has therefore developed a solution that incorporates the requirements of CAID and ViSOR as well as offering opportunities regarding information sharing at a regional and national level in the future. This solution is at a relatively low additional cost (circa £15k) beyond the amount required to fix both CAID and ViSOR separately,

A2. LINKS TO POLICE AND CRIME PLAN AND PCC'S STRATEGIES/PRIORITIES

Fair deal for the people of Lincolnshire

The creation of an IL4 network environment represents good value for Lincolnshire Police by providing a scalable and adaptable solution that will meet expected needs; rather than working on individual systems in isolation, and incurring additional costs to upgrade them in the future.

Police and Services that are there when you need them

The ability to send and receive confidential information through national systems will contribute directly to the safety of the citizens of Lincolnshire by helping to identify the perpetrators and victims of child sexual exploitation.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Revenue			Capital		
	Requirement	£'000		Requirement	£'000
Year 1		0	Year 1	IL4 infrastructure	140
Year 2	Maintenance, Licences	18.5	Year 2		
	Ongoing annual Requirement	18.5		Total to Summary Sheet	140

The capital requirements have been provided for through the establishment of an earmarked reserve for this purpose in 2014/15; and there will be an additional cost pressure in the ongoing revenue requirements for maintenance and licencing to be considered from 2016/17 onwards.

If the Force is not connected to CAID before 15 September 2015, we will be liable for an additional charge from the Home Office (notified to us in a letter from the Home Office dated 30 June 2015), ranging between £6,333 and £126,650 which would be added to our 2016/17 charges for the system. This decision will eliminate the risk of such a charge being levied.

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

[This should include the legal powers the PCC has for making the decision]

No legal or human rights issues have been identified.

D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES

No personnel or equalities issues have been identified.

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

Appropriate project governance and assurance measures will be put in place to ensure expected benefits will be realised; and that the solution is delivered within the required time and quality tolerances.

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

Please see Part 2 of the report for further detail

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A document marked 'restricted' under GPMS is attached at part 2, the IL4 Business Case

Part 2 also contains Information relating to the information security of Lincolnshire Police

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION

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OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. Consultation outlined above has also taken place. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire.

Signature: