


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

REF: 28 / 2014

DATE: 13 November 2014

<b>SUBJECT: PUBLIC SERVICE NETWORK</b>	
<b>REPORT BY</b>	<b>ASSISTANT CHIEF OFFICER</b>
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<b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT</b>	
This request relates to the provision of budget over four years to enable secure communications through the Public Service Network (PSN).	
Expiry of the Police National Network framework and introduction of a new network for secure communications for the public sector (PSN) requires all police forces to purchase a new service to deliver secure communications. Whilst the existing budget enables the force to purchase the service to Restricted (IL3) level only, there is an additional charge to obtain the service for Confidential (IL4) level.	
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	That approval is given to enable the purchase of IL4 services over the next four years. With the current year funding being met from the existing revenue budget and future years plans to include provision for this item as detailed in Section B.

<b>POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE</b>	
I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this report.	
<b>Signature:</b> 	<b>Date:</b> 13/11/14

**A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC****A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

1. Following expiry of the Police National Network (PNN) framework in October 2013, the Home Office has mandated that all forces transition to the new Public Service Network (PSN) by October 2015.
2. The Home Office negotiated with the current single supplier (Vodafone) to enable forces to extend their contracts until October 2015 to allow time to carry out preparatory work ahead of transition. However, due to the changes between the PNN and PSN, this extension provides services to IL3 security level only (Restricted). This level is insufficient for policing services, which require IL4 security level (Confidential).

3. In order to maintain IL4 systems and services the force requires an additional secure overlay and is accessing this via an early draw off the PSN framework. IL4 level security must be provided as an additional service from Vodafone (the only provider available at this time) that will overlay the extended CJX and continue over the future PSN network from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015. It should be noted that this does not restrict Lincolnshire's choice of supplier for PSN itself. This requires additional funding of £144,800 for a contract covering 4 years from commencement.
4. Forces have little choice but to purchase this service as access to IL4 is necessary to deliver operational policing and there are no alternative solutions. Other regional forces have already purchased this service.

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

Continuation of a secure communication network supports Lincolnshire Police in achieving the Police and Crime Plan objective of Reducing crime (through the ability to share data securely) and Services there when needed (through availability of systems to officers whenever needed).

## B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Total cost of the IL4 service over the life of the contract (four years) is £144,800. A breakdown of this is shown below:

2014/15 (part year effect)		2015/16		2016/17		2017/18		2018/19 (part-year effect)		Total		Grand Total
Cap	Rev	Cap	Rev	Cap	Rev	Cap	Rev	Cap	Rev	Cap	Rev	
£0	£12,900	£20,960	£30,960	£0	£30,960	£0	£30,960	£0	£18,060	£20,960	£123,840	£144,800

Under Financial Regulation 14.4 any proposed Business case with ongoing revenue budget consequences beyond the current financial year is required to be submitted by the Chief Constable and the Commissioner's CFO to the Commissioner for consideration. The part year effect in 2014/15 can be managed within the current year revenue budget of the Chief Constable. The future years costs will be required to be included within those years spending plans.

## C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

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

None specific.

**D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES**

None specific.

**E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS**

None.

**F. RISK MANAGEMENT**

Failure to secure an IL4 service will result in Lincolnshire Police losing access to Confidential level communications necessary to support operational services.

**H. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

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**Is the publication of this form to be deferred?** No

**If Yes, for what reason:**

**Until what date:**

Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made automatically available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate part 2 form.

**Is there a part 2 form?** No

**If Yes, for what reason:**

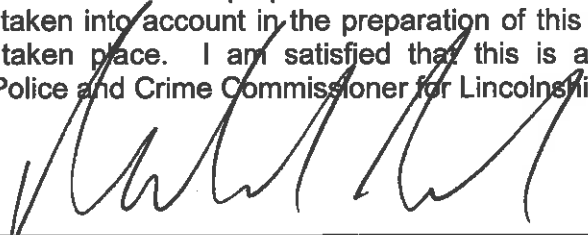
**ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION**

	Tick to confirm
Originating Officer: [Insert name] recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above.	✓
Financial advice: The PCC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	✓
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Monitoring Officer: The PCC's Monitoring Officer has been consulted on this proposal	✓
Chief Constable: The Chief Constable has been consulted on this proposal	✓

**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:**  **Date:** 13/11/14