

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

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ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE (ATV)	
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT	
<p>This paper, alongside the ATV Business Case, seeks to secure funding for a new all-terrain vehicle for use within East Division of Lincolnshire Police. This vehicle will replace the ATV which was irrevocably damaged by the sea but will also provide a permanent vehicle for East Division officers and PCSOs to use all year round to provide reassurance and also respond to high risk incidents on the beach such as missing persons and those at risk of harm from either themselves or others. The vehicles currently use for this work are loaned from Op Galileo during the off-season from hare-coursing activities.</p> <p>The vehicle would be used both for operational response but also for public reassurance with the previous and current vehicle attracting attention and become a focal point for members of the public both interested in the vehicle but also for engaging with officers. It has also been used to good effect at police open days and partnership open days with both the local county council but also the RNLI.</p> <p>Lincolnshire Police, alongside the OPCC and other partners, would ensure that the correct procurements are met and the vehicle obtained is suitable and meets the needs of the Division. Divisional leads have already confirmed that the Honda Pioneer 700-2 meets the requirements of officers.</p> <p>The introduction of a dedicated vehicle will meet the aims and objectives of the following areas of policing plans:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Public communication and engagement2. Public Reassurance3. Police response to vulnerability4. Prevention of harm to the public <p>From the work done to research and analyse the purpose and use of the vehicle the key recommendation is valid as set out below.</p>	

RECOMMENDATION	<p>That Lincolnshire Police, in partnership with OPCC and East Lindsey District Council purchases a new ATV, of the specification and make recommended in the business case for sole use by police officers, PCSOs and other trained personnel on East Division where there is a requirement to provide public reassurance and also respond to high risk incidents along coastline and different terrains.</p> <p>(This purchase of the new vehicle should be fast-tracked to allow the ATV to be in place for some of the expected busy summer months ahead for the East Coast.)</p>
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POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this report.	
	30 July 2020
Signature	Date

A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC

A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Publically and operationally, Lincolnshire Police have had a positive impact through the introduction and use of an ATV in coastal areas both for public reassurance and in response to high risk incidents
- 1.2 Due to the loss of one of the two ATVs and with the remaining ATV being on loan from another policing department, it is recommended that a new ATV is purchased for the sole use of officers and PCSOs working in coastal areas.
- 1.3 It is anticipated that this vehicle will support partnership working especially during times of increased demand around public reassurance and response to incidents. These partners include East Lindsey District Council and the RNLI
- 1.4 The introduction of a new vehicle will also lead to policy reviews around its use but also allow for the training of a wider pool of officers in its use to make it more effective in our response to incidents and public patrols.
- 1.5 The proposal is that the vehicle will be located at Skegness Police Station and the purchase will include the vehicle, modifications to allow it to be road legal and increasingly safe for officers, livery and the purchase of a trailer to be able to transport the vehicle to where it is required.
- 1.6 Three options are detailed on the main business case, whether to do nothing and not invest in a new vehicle; whether to purchase a vehicle centrally for use across the force; or to purchase a vehicle for use solely in coastal regions. Due to the necessity of the vehicle and evidence of its effectiveness in missing persons

searches and incidents of concerns for safety the recommended option is to purchase the vehicle for sole use in coastal regions

1.7 For a force that puts the public safety and reassurance at the forefront of what we do, this vehicle will enable us to meet these goals.

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

The use of the vehicle also fits with key Policing Plans and the aims of the force. These include:

- Public communication and engagement. It allows the force to engage with members of the public who will head to the Coast. This allows engagement with a transient population as well as local people on a range of issues which may affect them more broadly such as safety at the beach but also in generating public confidence in police patrols, public safety and the prevention of crime.
- We are using the vehicle effectively to focus on vulnerability and the way in which we can respond quickly and effectively to reports of missing people or those at risk of self-harm in coastal environments. We can deploy more efficiently on beaches, which may allow us to reach people and offer assistance in a quicker time than foot patrol searches.
- The vehicle can be seen as important to closer partnership working with the ELDC including the engagement of joint messaging through the use of the vehicle and continuing work to tie in with local partners and other emergency services in how we draw focus to key areas of safety to the public.
- The vehicle has quickly become an important part of the response plans for East Division for high risk incidents on the coastline.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The vehicle has been fully costed through a chosen supplier and the Force Finance Leads contacted to ensure that this process can be followed in the purchase and modification of the vehicle. The following provides an initial breakdown of costs

Item for Purchase	Cost
Vehicle	12569
Modifications to vehicle	1500
Livery Costs	350
Trailer	2500
Total	£16,916

The modifications and the trailer are optional pieces but it is determined that for the greatest utility of the vehicle that these are adopted and allowed within the full

costing of the vehicle. The modifications allow for the vehicle to become road legal and therefore used both on the beach, in rural locations but also on roads and pathways which can assist in reaching incidents. The trailer currently used belongs to another policing department and so can be returned. With the vehicle being of a different specification from previous ATVs it is also unclear if this will fit on the current trailers and so it is recommended that a new trailer is purchased which guarantees that it will meet the dimensions on the new vehicle.

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

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

There are no considerations in respect of this area

D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES

[This should include a copy of the Equality Impact Assessment, if required]

There are no equality issues in regards to the purchase of the vehicle and no EIA is required.

In terms of personnel; the only cost or development in this area will be regards to an uplift of training of officers and PCSOs in the use of the vehicle and also retraining/refreshing those already trained in the use of the vehicle. This will tie in with the Lincolnshire Police plans around recommencing driver training and the availability of trainers.

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

The use and effectiveness of the vehicle will be seen through local media releases and also incident data and can be reviewed at regular intervals to show the cost effectiveness of the vehicle if required. This can be done through requesting incident data, monitoring vehicle usage and through requesting examples from officers around the effectiveness of the vehicle in regards incident attendance and public engagement. If it is not found to be effective consideration could be given to selling the vehicle or re-purposing of it across the force estate

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risks have been addressed within the wider business case and all have been mitigated as far as is possible. This includes clear policies around the use and deployment of the vehicle and learning lessons from the previous use of the vehicle. There is clear guidance for supervisors when to deploy the vehicle and also about the use of vehicle for patrols and reassurance. The deployment and use of the vehicle must have a clear and defined purpose.

There is presently a vehicle on loan to the district for use in the summer but it is hoped that by having a new vehicle will be more impactful in terms of reputation and positive media presence for Lincolnshire Police alongside meeting the needs

of our public. This vehicle is due to be returned to another department at the start of September.

It will also be ensured that all drivers of the vehicle are suitably trained prior to their using it operationally.

G. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Information in this form along with any supporting material is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation. Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC's website within one working day of approval. However, if release by that date would compromise the implementation of the decision being approved, publication may be deferred. An explanation for any deferment must be provided below, together with a date for publication.

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

If Yes, for what reason:

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? Yes

If Yes, for what reason: Commercial in confidence around budget/ contract and vehicle

DECLARATIONS

	Initial to confirm
Originating Officer: Sergeant Johnson recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above	LJ
The CC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal	SC
The Chief Constable has been consulted on this proposal	BS
The PCC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal	JF

The PCC's Monitoring Officer has been consulted on this proposal	MB
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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.



20 July 2020

Signature

Date