

Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Lincolnshire Request for Decision

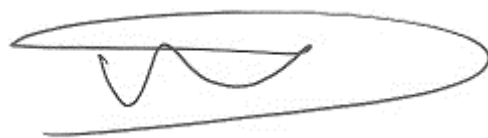
Ref: 07-2024

Date: 15 March 2024

Subject	National Shared Situational Awareness System (SSAS) Northwest Collaboration S22A Amendments and Changes to Contract Change Notice (CCN)
Report by:	ACC Nikki Mayo
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Executive summary and purpose of report: <p>On 6th November 2023 the national Senior Responsible Officer (SRO) Chief Constable Haward formally wrote to all Chief Constables to outline the necessary amendments to the Shared Situational Awareness Framework (SSAS), which has led to the requirement of enhanced technical solutions to deliver against the operational requirements for both firearms and surveillance capabilities. SSAS provides a platform to enhance shared situational awareness, connectivity and visibility of resources deployed on surveillance and firearms operations and has been developed following recommendations from several public enquiries into Police incidents.</p> <p>Following commercial and legal oversight, the project has now progressed to the point of implementation readiness and approval is now required from each of the respective forces and their policing bodies, in respect of the required legal amendments to the original s22a agreement, first published in January 2023. Lincolnshire Police is part of an eighteen-force collaboration, led by the Northwest, with Merseyside as the single contracting authority. Regionally, this is led by Assistant Chief Constable (ACC) Mayo, as SRO for the East Midlands constituent of the collaboration.</p> <p>This paper seeks PCC approval of two documents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Amendments to the National SSAS Framework agreement (Contract Change Notice) CCN.2. The amended s22a agreement change notice. <p>Both documents have been subject to due diligence from Police Digital Services (PDS) and their legal Team (TLT). They have also been reviewed by East Midlands Legal Services (EMLPS), who have conducted due diligence and agreed the amendments to both documents.</p> <p>To approve the signing of the variation to the framework agreement and amended Section 22A for the surveillance operations rooms services.</p>	
Recommendation:	That PCC approval is given and signature obtained for the Contract Change Notice and amended S22a agreement of change notice by the deadline of 18th March 2024.

Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire

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



Signature:

Date: 15 March 2024

a. Non-confidential facts and advice to the PCC

a1. Introduction and background

The Shared Situational Awareness System (SSAS) is a platform which enhances shared situational awareness for surveillance and firearms operatives. Airbox were awarded the contract after a tender process and considerable work has been done over the past 12 months in relation to cyber security and data assurance; we are now in the position to move forwards with implementation which requires the sign off of the s22a and CCN, which provides the framework for the collaboration agreement.

a2. Links to Police and Crime Plan and PCC's strategies/priorities

This decision paper supports the Police and Crime Commissioner's strategic aim of:

- Policing that works: *Holding the Chief Constable to account for the services he provides and ensure he continues to innovate and transform the service and gives the frontline officers the "right tools for the job" to respond to the diverse needs of our communities.*

b. Financial considerations

A revised schedule of costs has been produced taking into account the enhancements which have been agreed by Airbox and the Chief Constables within the collaborated forces.

c. Legal and human rights considerations

The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 ("the Act") makes provision for the governance and administration of police forces. The Act charges the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire with securing the maintenance, efficiency, and effectiveness of Lincolnshire Police.

d. Personnel and equalities issues

The PCC requires all providers / contractors to have policies in place to demonstrate their commitment and meet all applicable legislative requirements in relation to personnel and equality issues.

e. Review arrangements

Governance for the SSAS project is in the form of a Collaboration Steering Group, comprising the 18 forces in the collaboration, a regional Strategic Board for the East Midlands, chaired by ACC Mayo and each force has its own implementation working group.

f. Risk management

All risks are being managed in accordance with existing Force policies and procedures and monitored as part of the ongoing Programme Risk Register. There are currently two red risks being managed as part of the programme which focus upon training and clarity around implementation timescales: these are being managed at the Strategic Board.

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.

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Is there a Part 2 form?	Yes
If yes, for what reason?	The attached agreements are operationally and commercially sensitive

Declarations

Originating Officer:	Initial to confirm
ACC Nikki Mayo recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above	NM

The following people have been consulted on this proposal:	
The CC's Director of Finance and Corporate Services (S151)	SC
The A/Chief Constable	JD
The PCC's Chief Finance Officer	JF
The PCC's Monitoring Officer	MB

Officer approval

Chief Executive	
<p>I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice have been considered 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.</p>	
Signature: 	Date: 11 March 2024