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

REF: 009/2016 **DATE: 21 April 2016** 

SUBJECT	RIPA CROSS BORDER OPS COLLABORATION AGREEMENT					
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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The parties believe that criminal investigations which overlap the geographical area of two or more police forces can more efficiently and effectively be discharged by the co-operation and collaboration of those police forces. It is believed that such co-operation and collaboration would be enhanced by utilising the arrangements permissible under section 93 of the Police Act 1997 and under Part II or RIPA, to allow for collaboration between the forces in the manner in which these statutory powers are authorised.

This agreement replaces any earlier collaboration agreements entered into between the parties in respect of cross border policing under the Police Act 1997 and RIPA.

The Agreement has been expanded to include the South Yorkshire Police and South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner as parties to this collaboration.

That The CC and PCC sign the agreement	RECOMMENDATION	That The CC and PCC sign the agreement
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# POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

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

Signature:

Date: 21/04/16

#### A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC

#### A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1. This is a request to renew an existing collaboration agreement in respect of the across border authorisation of RIPA requests.
- For the purposes of the Police Act and RIPA, this is an agreement under sec 22(A) of 2. the Police Act 1996 that will allow the following:

- to authorise property interference likewise.
- to permit Designated Persons (DP) within the authorising force to grant authorisations for officers within any of the Collaborative Forces to obtain communications data
- to permit a DP to issue a notice under RIPA requiring the disclosure of communications data to an appropriate person in any of the Collaborative Forces.
- to permit a DP for the purposes of Directed Surveillance or CHIS activity to grant an authorisation upon application by a member of any of the Collaborative Forces.
- to permit a Senior Authorising Officer for the purposes of intrusive surveillance to grant an authorisation upon application by a member of any of the Collaborative Forces.
- 3. The Section 22 Agreement is attached in Part 2 of this agreement.

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

RIPA applications relate to the acquisition of data or authorisation of activity to combat serious crime and disorder.

#### B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None beyond existing collaboration provisions

#### C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

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

This proposal is in full accordance with the Police Acts of 1996 and 1997. Human Rights considerations are paramount in each individual RIPA application.

#### D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES

None

#### E. **REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS**

None

#### F. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

None

#### **PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION** Н.

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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?

If Yes, for what reason: The Collaboration Agreement is an unredacted version of the agreement and should not be published on the grounds that it could undermine operational tactics.

## **ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION**

	Initial to confirm
Originating Officer:	, asir
Detective Superintendent Guy Collings, Director of Intelligence, recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above.	le-
Financial advice:	
The PCC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	JEF
The CC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	Al/
Monitoring Officer:	
The PCC's Monitoring Officer has been consulted on this proposal	
Chief Constable:	NI
The Chief Constable has been consulted on this proposal	100

### 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: