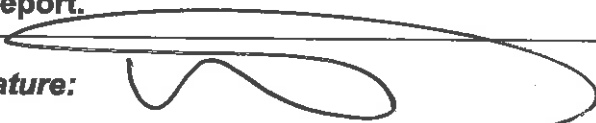


**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER (PCC) FOR LINCOLNSHIRE
REQUEST FOR DECISION**

REF: 016 / 2018

DATE: 3 May 2018

SUBJECT	CITY OF LONDON POLICE JOINING THE EAST MIDLANDS COLLABORATION OF THE REGIONAL NICHE RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (RMS)
REPORT BY	ASSISTANT CHIEF OFFICER (RESOURCES)
CONTACT OFFICER	Andrew White (ACO Resources) Tel 01522 558007
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT	
<p>The Chief Constables of Lincolnshire Police, Leicestershire Police, Northamptonshire Police, Nottinghamshire Police and Derbyshire Constabulary, together with the PCCs for Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire have entered into a collaboration agreement pursuant to section 22A of the Police Act 1996 to operate on a single interoperable ICT platform for crime, intelligence, case, custody and general incident modules (otherwise known as the Niche Services). This enables the sharing of Police Data between those Forces. The Parties now wish to extend this collaboration to the City of London Police.</p> <p>The original Service Delivery Agreement with G4S has been amended to include the provision of this service to the East Midlands regional forces (Leicestershire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire) to enable the provision of the Niche Services to these police forces to provide the required IT solution for an initial period of up to four years, commencing April 2015. This is now required to be further amended to include the City of London Police Force.</p>	
RECOMMENDATION	<i>That the extended S.22a Collaboration Agreement and Amending Agreement (to include for City of London Police) for the provision of IT Services by Lincolnshire Police in the regional Criminal Justice collaboration be signed.</i>

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
I hereby approve the recommendation above, having considered the content of this report.	
Signature: 	Date: 3/5/18

A. NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE PCC

A1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. The Regional Niche Programme has provided a single instance of a crime management and recording system (NICHE) across the five regional forces which allows for the sharing of crime, intelligence, custody, and case preparation data across the East Midlands.
2. The City of London Police expressed an interest in a collaborative Section 22 Agreement in relation to on boarding CoLP onto the East Midlands instance of NICHE RMS, including the sharing of data between the six forces and becoming a party to the existing Regional Data Quality Team.
3. East Midlands are keen within the Agreement to have access to CoLP Action Fraud data in order to provide big data information and the potential to identify cross over information.
4. Lincolnshire Police was an existing Niche RMS force and in order to allow for the shared IT platform to be achieved, Lincolnshire Police extended the terms of its original Service Delivery Agreement with G4S, to include an extended provision of Niche Services by way of an amending agreement to Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire and Northamptonshire police. The Service Delivery Agreement with G4S has now been amended further to include the provision of Niche services to City of London Police.
5. For each of the forces, moving to a fully integrated core policing platform presented significant benefits. Each individual force has experienced different levels and types of benefits, depending upon their starting point. The key benefits obtained from a single interoperable platform include:
 - Standardising the region's approach in the way management information is gathered, processed, presented and distributed. Putting officers in touch with the information they need to do their jobs without switching between multiple products or applications.
 - Single data entry with electronic linking of prior information without multiple re-keying and re-entering of the same information.
 - The de-commissioning of legacy or unstable ICT systems which were at end of life, obsolete or not aligned to the digitised working environment.
 - Creating a single view of offenders, intelligence, victims etc, that is shared and is re-usable across the four forces in real time.
 - Information is digital from source e.g. a statement is collected electronically at the scene/source without the need for the officer to return on multiple occasions for signatures etc.
 - Integration of the information across the six forces to create a more accurate and coherent visibility of offenders i.e. the East Midlands has particularly porous borders for criminality and with the intelligence/crime information being available to four forces, officers have a greater chance of catching offenders and limiting the ability of more organised offenders to take advantage of our police borders.
 - Direct access to the City of London Police Action Fraud system.
 - Improved the quality of case files without increased bureaucracy, using greater automated quality control mechanisms that specifically direct officer inputs e.g. build instructions for files (no remedial work, which reduces costs in legal time, CPS administration, police administration and police officer time).

- Improved the personal accountability and intrusion of supervisors into officer workloads.
- Created a more virtualised and flexible work environment, allowing for a “work anywhere” culture across the region, as officers/staff can log onto their personal virtual computer work space from any force portal.
- Increased inter-operability for regional units, enabling regional workloads (case building) to be managed regionally rather than in-force silos.

This solution was designed to exploit advances in mobile technology: allowing information to be captured in a timely manner at source, whether as a witness statement at the scene of an incident or as a statement taken at the home of a victim. This has not only increased the accuracy of the information gathered and improved the quality of the service provided to the public, but also made the information instantaneously available across all six forces, increasing the likelihood of positive police action and resolutions for the public.

The key outcomes of the collaboration are:

- Single data entry with electronic linking of prior information, without multiple re-typing and re-entering of the same information onto police computer systems
- The de-commissioning of legacy or unstable IT systems, which were at end of life, obsolete or are not aligned to the digitised working environment.
- Creating a single view of offenders, intelligence, victims, locations, vehicles etc., across the six forces
- Making information digital from source to improve the accuracy, recollection, intelligence sharing and speed of police response/action as well as reducing bureaucracy and abstraction time from frontline duty
- Integrating the information across the six forces to create a more accurate and coherent visibility of offenders across the whole of the East Midlands and City of London police areas.

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

Links to the collaboration principles that local policing will remain local and that collaboration in operational and non-operational support services should be sought.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City of London Police have paid in full the implementation and support costs for the extension of this service to their Force. The Parties have further agreed that should there be any additional amounts which need to be paid by the Receiving Forces, the Parties shall work together in good faith to seek to agree any additional amounts to be paid and these costs will be shared in accordance with the following ratios.

The All Force Apportionment Ratio for 2017/18 is:

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| • Derbyshire Constabulary | 19.58% |
| • Leicestershire Police | 20.55% |
| • Lincolnshire Police | 11.83% |
| • Northamptonshire Police | 13.35% |
| • Nottinghamshire Police | 24.47% |
| • City of London | 10.22% |

As Lincolnshire already had the infrastructure in place as it was already using the Niche application, the Receiving Forces Apportionment Ratio for 2017/18 is:

• Derbyshire Constabulary	22.20%
• Leicestershire Police	23.30%
• Northamptonshire Police	15.14%
• Nottinghamshire Police	27.77%
• City of London	11.59%

The East Midlands Apportionment Ratio for 2017/18 is:

• Derbyshire Constabulary	25.11%
• Leicestershire Police	26.36%
• Northamptonshire Police	17.12%
• Nottinghamshire Police	31.41%

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

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

Extending this provision of services to include City of London will require the Commissioner and Chief Constable to enter into a new Collaboration Agreement made pursuant to Section 22A of the Police Act 1996.

D. PERSONNEL AND EQUALITIES ISSUES

All staff will remain employed by the respective Chief Constables

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

The Collaboration can be reviewed on an annual basis or such other period as may be determined by the Police and Crime Commissioners or Chief Constables.

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk Management will be undertaken in accordance with the Governance and Accountability clauses of the collaboration agreement, along with the Risk Management clause.

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: N/A






Until what date: N/A

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: The provision of Niche services is subject to a collaboration agreement pursuant to Section 22A of the Police Act 1996 as amended by the Police Social Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (PRSSRA). The s.22A agreement and Amending Agreement are confidential as they contain information relating to operational Force systems and commercially sensitive financial information.

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION

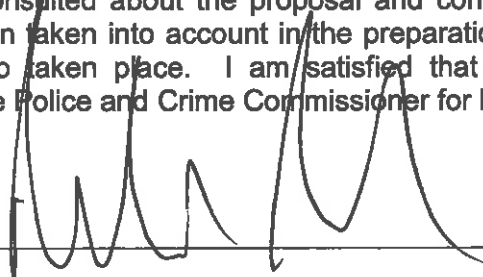
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Originating Officer: The Assistant Chief Officer recommends this proposal for the reasons outlined above.	
Financial advice: The PCC's Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	
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Monitoring 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: 27/4/18