REPORT FOR DECISION: 2020 - 020

Title: Conclusion of the Contractual Arrangements regarding the Enterprise Resource Planning (Equip) system

Executive Summary:

The three forces (Surrey, Sussex and Thames Valley) took a decision in 2016 to work collaboratively to jointly develop a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system to improve the way they do business and help improve efficiency.

The ERP system aims to replace back-office systems currently used across all three forces with new systems that are able to interact seamlessly with each other, reducing the need for duplication of information and thereby resulting in a more efficient way of working. This will free up staff time to focus on preventing and detecting crime, protecting vulnerable people and keeping our communities safe.

Following a competitive tender process, the forces have been working in partnership with KPMG on the programme since 2016.

In December 2020 the Chief Constables agreed that the ERP product developed by KPMG should be transferred to the three forces to achieve the best available value for money outcome.

Following approval by the three PCCs, the forces have worked closely with KPMG to achieve the successful transfer of the ERP solution.

Decisions on the future direction of travel are still in the process of considering the opportunities and risks but will be reported to the PCC as a separate project in future.

To that end, funding has been incorporated in the Force's approved Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) to finance future activities.

Recommendation:

Following the recommendation of the Chief Constables of SSTVP to pursue a termination of the agreement with KPMG for delivery of the Equip programme, the SSTVP Police and Crime Commissioners are requested to:

1. Approve and sign an agreement to transfer the assets with the supplier KPMG.

Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the recommendation above.

Signature Date: 23 December 2020

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PART 1 - NON-CONFIDENTIAL

1 Introduction and background

- 1.1 The three forces (Surrey, Sussex and Thames Valley) took a decision in 2016 to work collaboratively to jointly develop a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system to improve the way they do business and help improve efficiency.
- 1.2 The ERP system aims to replace back-office systems currently used across all three forces with new systems that are able to interact seamlessly with each other, reducing the need for duplication of information and thereby resulting in a more efficient way of working. This will free up staff time to focus on preventing and detecting crime, protecting vulnerable people and keeping our communities safe.
- 1.3 Following a competitive tender process, the forces have been working in partnership with KPMG on the programme since 2016.

2 Issues for consideration

- 2.1 In December 2020 the Chief Constables agreed that the ERP product developed by KPMG should be transferred to the three forces to achieve the best available value for money outcome.
- 2.2 Following approval by the three PCCs, the forces have worked closely with KPMG to achieve the successful transfer of the ERP solution.
- 2.3 Decisions on the future direction of travel are still in the process of considering the opportunities and risks but will be reported to the PCC as a separate project in future.
- 2.4 To that end, funding has been incorporated in the Force's approved Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) to finance future activities.

3 Financial comment

- 3.1 Financial information on the Equip programme is published in the annual revenue budget, capital programme, in-year capital and revenue monitoring reports and the annual statement of accounts.
- 3.2 The published statement of accounts will be subject to external scrutiny by EY, the external auditor.
- 3.3 Funding for future activities has been incorporated in the Force's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).

4 Legal comments

4.1 A thorough, detailed and extensive review of the agreement and its legal implications has been carried out to ensure the transfer of the product as identified, and further bringing the ongoing relationship to an end.

5 Equality comments

5.1 No implications arising.

6 Background papers

6.1 S / S / TVP Chief Constables' Report

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PCC's STATUTORY CHIEF OFFICERS' APPROVAL

We have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial and legal advice have been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

We are satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Chief Executive

Date: 23 December 2020

Chief Finance Officer

Date: 23 December 2020