

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner

REQUEST FOR POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER DECISION - (N° 004/2019)

TITLE: Cumbria Constabulary Interim ICT Strategy 2019 – 2025

Executive Summary:

Cumbria Constabulary Interim ICT Strategy 2019 – 2025 aims to provide a link between the strategic objectives of the organisation and our priorities for the ICT Service. It seeks to outline the current and future requirements for ICT and documents the measures and changes that are required to meet these.

The strategy supports both the priorities set out in the Police & Crime Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan 2016 – 2020 and the requirements of Cumbria Vision 25 which sets out the Constabulary's vision to be a vibrant, innovative, and forward thinking organisation that delivers for our communities and its workforce.

The strategy is also cognisant of external influences which will significantly impact our future direction which include:

- National Programmes. The approx. 17 national initiatives which include, for example, the Emergency Services Mobile Communication Programme which will replace the current Airwave provision;
- **Technical Landscape.** The delivery ICT services is changing with an emphasis on the use of cloud services and consumption of Software as a Service (SaaS)
- Security Landscape. Increased threat levels, for example as we rely more on the internet for Cloud based services, will inevitably result in increases in ICT budgetary requirements;
- Data Protection. The introduction of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in May 18 is a major change to data protection law.
- Economic landscape. Brexit has added impetus to inflationary growth in ICT products, which are generally priced in dollars and are therefore vulnerable to exchange rate fluctuations.

The strategy outlines five key priority areas of delivery and the projects, outcomes and approaches that will deliver these strategic priorities, however it should be noted that they are not mutually exclusive. It is clear that the reliance on technology within the Constabulary is now higher than at any other time and will continue to grow. The strategy therefore focuses on building solutions that are portable, cost effective and deliver operational policing systems and applications to all users

whilst controlling implementation and on-going revenue budgets accordingly. It should be noted that the preservation of the 'end user experience' is a core principle of ICT delivery.

The ICT Strategy is designed to be a live document that is continually updated as part of the implementation of the strategy. ICT will facilitate delivery of many of objectives of the five themes of **Cumbria Vision 25** and inevitably there are currently areas of alignment and overlap with, for example, Digital Policing strategy. These areas of alignment and overlap will have to be resolved and the ICT strategy is therefore published as **Interim.** As the business requirements of the Constabulary change, the strategy will be updated to reflect this.

Recommendation:

The Commissioner is asked to approve the Interim ICT Strategy 2019 – 2025 to endorse the continuation of delivery against the Key Strategic Objectives detailed within the strategy.

Police & Crime Commissioner

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for Cumbria Police & Crime Commissioner. Any such interests are recorded below.

I hereby approve/do not approve the recommendation(s) above

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Police & Crime Commissioner / Chief Executive (delete as appropriate)

Signature:

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Date: 20th February 2019

Is the publication of this form to be deferred? NO

If yes, for what reason:

Until what date (if known):

Is there a Part 2 form - YES

(If Yes, please ensure Part 2 form is completed prior to submission)

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

I confirm that this report has been considered by the Chief Officer Group and that relevant financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

Signed: S. Kirkpatrick Date: 12 February 2019

OPCC OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive / Deputy Chief Executive (delete as appropriate)

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. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner / Chief Executive (delete as appropriate).

Signature: Date: 2019

Media Strategy

The decision taken by the Police & Crime Commissioner may require a press announcement or media strategy.

Will a press release be required following the decision being considered? NO

If yes, has a media strategy been formulated? YES / NO

Is the media strategy attached? YES / NO

What is the proposed date of the press release: