

DECISION NOTICE (GMP)

Decision author and proposer: Ali Cordrey / Dave Millington

Subject:
Digital Evidence Management System (DEMS)

Type of decision:			
Deputy decision	Mayor's	X	Chief Officer's decision

<p>The decision is that:</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor approves the award of a 3-year contract for the Digital Evidence Management system to Axon, with the option to extend for a further 4 years in increments of a minimum of 1-year (3+1+1+1+1 years). The likely value of 7 years spend would be circa £4.7m.</p>
<p>The reasons for the decision are:</p> <p>Following tender competition Axon emerged as the preferred supplier.</p>
<p>Alternative options considered and rejected:</p> <p>In accordance with procurement legislation the highest scoring bidder, using the published criteria, has to be selected.</p>
<p>Financial comments:</p> <p>The cost of this contract will be circa £600k (revenue) per annum. There is a capital marker of £900k and revenue marker of £200k in 2022/3 and a capital marker of £100k in 2023/4. There is clearly an increased cost following the tender process. The agreement to award the contract will place a committed increase on the 23/24 and successive years revenue budgets and this is reflected in the budget planning for 23/24 and future years.</p> <p>Please note: Subject to approval and the completion of the procurement process, there may be an opportunity to reduce costs. Axon are an existing supplier to GMP, providing a number of other systems, and negotiation post-procurement but pre-contract should result in savings by negotiating a consolidated enterprise licence. The likely outcome would be a reduction in cost.</p>

Legal comments:

The contract will be awarded using Greater Manchester Combined Authority's IT Special Terms and Conditions v3.0 (June 2021). These have been reviewed by the Force Contracts Solicitor and no issues have been identified

Risk Assessment:

Risk of procurement challenge is low. 3 bids were received, and the evaluation process was robust and strictly followed the published process.

Is safeguarding of children relevant and has this been considered:

While not directly linked to safeguarding, the DEMS system will improve and speed the capture and flow of digital evidence and reduce the time to conviction. The system will also make it easier and quicker for the public to share digital evidence with the Police and for the Police to share with authorised defence community, other forces and partners.

Is safeguarding of vulnerable adults relevant and has this been considered:

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Signed on behalf of GMP



Signed:.....

Name:.....Ian Cosh.

Date:.....3 January 2023

Signed on behalf of GMCA Treasurer



Signed:

Name: Steve Wilson

Date: 26/01/2023

Agreed by Deputy Mayor



Signed:

Name:.....Kate Green.....

Date: ...27th January 2023.....