

DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE AUTHORITY

RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Resources Committee was held on 1 February 2007.

Further information on the items referred to below is contained in the agenda, report and minutes for the meeting on 1 February 2007.

The following recommendations arose from the meeting.

[R/601] Property Sub Committee Minutes

[PS/295] Training College Accessibility Review

RECOMMENDATION that approval is given to spend the sum provisionally allocated in the training college refurbishment budget for a second lift for that purpose.

[PS/299] Devon and Cornwall Constabulary Site Security

RECOMMENDATION that the Force Security Officer produces an action plan to address the identified required improvements which is reported and monitored by the appropriate committees.

[PS/301] Tiverton Police Station

RECOMMENDATION to agree the leasehold acquisition as outlined in the recommendations contained in the report.

[R/607] Indicative cost model for adoption of server and storage consolidation strategy

Members had previously approved the server and storage consolidation strategy in 2004. Members were now presented with an executive summary of an indicative cost model for its implementation and this highlighted significant cost savings during the term of the ICT facilities management contract.

RECOMMENDATION

- i to approve to re-direct the maximum amount of planned spend into the new strategy to improve resilience, assist in Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery provision and produce revenue savings.
- ii to approve for commercial and technical discussions to commence with Sunguard Vivista to create a detailed plan for the implementation of the Strategy.
- iii Subject to detailed agreement with Sunguard Vivista, the delivery of the new architecture will be managed as a fixed price implementation, with a pre-determined contractually binding date for the FM price reductions to commence.
- iv That a further report be brought before the Police Authority or through urgency procedures detailing the proposed contract of work with the supplier prior to its commencement.

[R/610] Sale of DCPA owned radio masts

Members had approved to commission specialist consultants to compile a report into the marketable value of legacy Force-owned radio masts. Following this, masts had been identified as either not suitable for leasehold or freehold sale, or as having no encumbrances detrimental to their sale. Members were advised that there was a window of opportunity over the next 6 – 9 months when it was expected the highest benefits would be realised.

RECOMMENDATION

- i to approve in principle the Force can go to market with those masts identified as having no encumbrances detrimental to the sale. A revised market valuation of the reduced portfolio will be informed by an additional report of Valuation Consultants, expected end February 2007. This will be made available with investment appraisal and Heads of Terms for final approval.
- ii to approve that certain masts, (see “2” at introduction) including Middlemoor & Charles Cross will not transfer to a new owner as freehold or leasehold, but may, subject to agreed conditions be given over as part of the portfolio for rental rights management only.

[R/611] Airwave compensation

The Treasurer updated Members on the current position. Approval was sought to create a new Airwave Reserve into which any receipts would be credited.

RECOMMENDATION

- i to create Airwave Reserve for credit receipts;
- ii to place on record thanks to those officers instrumental in bringing this situation to a satisfactory conclusion.

[R/612] Provision of services to Devon Air Ambulance Trust

Members were asked to approve pilotage and maintenance services to Devon Air Ambulance Trust subject to final legal advice, subsequent binding service contract and indemnity agreement.

RECOMMENDATION that subject to final legal advice, subsequent binding service contract and indemnity agreement, and a financial statement, pilotage and maintenance services are offered to Devon Air Ambulance Trust.

Matters discussed (with minute references shown in brackets) included:

[R/604] Financial Monitoring

The revenue budget was under control and on target to come in on budget by the year end. The capital budget was showing an underspend. The capital programme was not delivering as a result of slippage in property projects. Issues discussed during consideration of this item included Police pensions and ill health pensions, the impact of increased utility bill on budgets, capital expenditure.

[R/605] Budget Working Party

Members considered the notes of the recent Budget Working Party and were given an opportunity to raise any issues arising from this, and their recent Seminar. No issues were raised.

Other issues discussed included:

[R/602] The Development Surveyor Role, [R/603] Force Development Programme Update, [R/608] ICT achievements.

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