

DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE AUTHORITY

RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Resources Committee was held on 26 July 2006. A further meeting is due to be held on 20 September 2006.

Further information on the items referred to below is contained in the agenda and reports for the meetings.

Matters discussed at the meeting held on 26 July (with minute references shown in brackets) include:-

[R/549] INVEST TO SAVE – PLYMOUTH PILOT OF THE BODY WORN DIGITAL RECORDING SYSTEM

It was RESOLVED to

- i. support the pilot project as an invest to save initiative;
- ii. agree to provide a grant of up to £80,000 to pump prime the initiative to enable this proof of concept pilot to be completed by the end of this financial year;
- iii. waive standing orders for the purchase of Head Cameras in order to enable the pilot to progress within the required timescales, subject to a full procurement exercise should the Authority decide to extend the use of this technology beyond the pilot stage.

[R/554] BUDGET MONITORING

Members considered a report setting out the first full detailed financial monitoring for the financial year 2006-07.

It was RESOLVED to

- i. note the revenue and capital provision at the end of the first quarter of the 2006-07 financial year
- ii. approve the following virements :

Force training programme	£411k	Capability / performance uplift
Oracle licences	£141k	Business continuity
Digital microwave network	£300k	Business continuity
Criminal Justice Extranet (CJX)	£150k	Business continuity
Remote Access to Force Network	£36k	Business continuity

- iii. Note the progress on current strategic projects detailed in the report.

R/556 CAPITAL OUTTURN 2005-06 AND CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING 2006-07

Members considered a report on the capital outturn for 2005-06 and the capital budget monitoring for 2006-07. Detailed information on the individual projects within the 2006-07 capital programme was provided.

It was RESOLVED to

- i. note the information provided in the report;
- ii. approve the revised Capital Programme for 2006-07 as set out in the report.

R/558 HMIC BASELINE ASSESSMENT - POLICE USE OF RESOURCES (PURE)

The PURE assessment is a national programme which sets out a set of minimum standards expected by the Home Office along with further performance levels up to national best practice and is part of a requirement to provide and demonstrate 'value for money'.

The first PURE assessment was carried out by the Force in April and May 2006 and was currently being reviewed by the Audit Commission. A formal judgement would be made by the Audit Commission in September to inform the HMIC Baseline Assessment covering the management of finance and physical resources. Scores of 1 - 4 (4 being the highest) would be allocated to each of 5 judgement areas. Informal feedback from the Audit Commission indicated that Devon and Cornwall had achieved a score of 3 for all judgement areas examined.

R/563 INVEST TO SAVE PROPOSAL - IMPLEMENTATION SMS 2003 AND OFFICE 2003

The Authority had agreed a Desktop Management Strategy in January 2005 which sought to reduce the total cost of ownership of the computer desktop estate. The current phase of the strategy was focussed on replacement of the current office productivity suite with an up to date system and a remote application delivery tool.

It was RESOLVED to

- i. to approve the implementation of SMS 2003 and Office 2003 at an estimated cost of £228,400;
- ii. to approve the funding of up to £228,400 from reserves to implement this as an investment to reduce the ongoing costs of electricity from 2007-08 of circa £100,000 per annum.

R/567 AIRWAVE

The Treasurer updated Members on the current situation in relation to the Airwave contract and ongoing dispute.

It was RESOLVED to note the progress on the 02 issue and authorise the necessary expenditure and funding.

R/568 REVIEW OF INTRANET PROJECT (IP2) - COMMERCIAL DISPUTE

Members considered a report providing an update on the Intranet Project.

It was RESOLVED

- i. That Brian Greenslade, Mike Bull and John Glasby meet to discuss the scope of the internal review and review group.
- ii. To recommend to the Police Authority to terminate the Intranet Project (IP2) contract.

Other matters discussed included [R/553] Committee Objectives for 2006-07, [R/559] Meeting the Challenge Programme – Business Benefits Realisation, [R/560] Review of Air Operations.

A further briefing will be tabled at the Police Authority meeting on 29 September which will provide details of the recommendations arising and issues discussed at the Committee meeting due to be held on 20 September 2006.

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