

## Internal Decision Record



**Lancashire  
Constabulary**  
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<b>Subject:</b>	Contract for the provision of monitoring of temporary alarms for the period 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2013 to 31 December 2015 with the option to extend until 31 December 2017, renewable on an annual basis.
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<b>Sponsor (e.g. Head of Dept):</b>	Ian Cosh
<b>Decision Required:</b>	An agreement to participate in the new contractual arrangements via the GMP framework contract.
<b>Date:</b>	21 May 2013

### Issue for consideration

A framework contract for the provision of the monitoring of temporary alarms has been arranged by Greater Manchester Police on behalf of all police forces in the UK.

One supplier, National Monitoring has been awarded the contract.

Currently the force uses a company called Skyguard to provide this service but on an ad hoc, informal arrangement.

The service is required in line with the Constabulary's security monitoring process policy for victims of domestic abuse.

The estimated spend for the provision of this service per annum in Lancashire will be approximately £25 660 per annum

By utilising this new contract, which was tendered and awarded in compliance with EU requirements, we will be compliant with our standing orders.

### Governance Framework Section Reference

The decision is covered under the Scheme of Governance Section 8.22

This section states that the Chief Finance Officers of the CC shall have authority to deal with the following:

A. In connection with Financial Matters

Award contracts up to £680,000, and over £680,000 in consultation with the PCC, provided that contract standing orders are followed and that the tender is within the approved revenue

or capital estimates.

### Costs

The potential contract value is estimated to be £77K over the full contract period, based on the last 12 months usage on the provision of this service with an alternative supplier and costings supplied by National Monitoring.

Costs will be reviewed on an annual basis to manage and control demand in line with the governance procedure.

### Risks

There may be a potential escalation in costs as demand for the service may increase as the new process is implemented, however the governance and approval structure will manage and mitigate the risk.

### Consequences

The force is currently utilising an ad hoc informal arrangement with a supplier and therefore the procurement of this service falls outside of financial regulations and contract standing orders.

### Consultation

Extensive consultation has taken place with Commanders with presentations to CID and PPU Managers.

The proposal to use the framework agreement was approved at the Management Board in May. At the Board a discussion took place with the PCC around the possibility of extending the use of alarms to help with his commitment to help victims of crime and a proposal is being pulled together for his consideration.

### Decision (Outcome and Rationale)

To agree to utilise the contract for the future provision of the monitoring of temporary alarms within the force.

Signed by - Sponsor

Signed by - Decision Maker

Name: Chief Supt Tattum

Role: G Division Commander

Date:

Name: Ian Cosh

Role: Director of Resources

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> June 2013