

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner
Notice of Decision



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For Decision or Information	Decision
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TITLE: East Midlands Shared Infrastructure Project

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Approval is sought for the following from the Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner:

(1) agreement to enter into a contract for the supply of Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) using the CCS G Cloud 6 Framework Agreement via the chosen supplier, Skyscape, to carry out a proof of concept to support the agreed strategic direction to:

- Follow regional and government 'cloud first' principles.
- Support increased collaboration across forces and enhanced efficiency in the delivery of IT services.
- Improve access to mobile IT services and applications for police officers, increase the time they can spend policing, supported by prompt access to good quality information.

(2) agreement to proceed with two phases of proof of concept work, each supported by a Call-Off Agreement with the appointed supplier Skyscape:

- Phase 1: To build a test environment, for IT experts to investigate, design and validate the new approach to providing infrastructure prior to the Forces moving to new PSN connectivity. This phase will cost significantly less than £1,050 per month, a total cost of no more than £25,200 over the term of this initial Call-Off Agreement, i.e. 2 years.
- Phase 2: To move the new environment into the elevated (IL3) secure environment, for use with two new "early adopter" applications for regional units. This phase will be to connect through the PSN. Once the concept is proven, the Skyscape contract will be revised to specify the high security 'elevated' (IL3) environment.

The G Cloud 6 Framework Agreement represents a government, nationally agreed and legally EU compliant framework agreement open for use by other public bodies including UK police forces, with pre-established commercial terms. The new IaaS will be completely flexible and there is no requirement for one single supplier. IaaS can and may be purchased from more than one supplier for hosting different applications. Therefore the current tender award to Skyscape Cloud Services Ltd does not constrain East Midlands police forces to use this supplier for all applications hosted in the future in the IaaS.

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In total 7 suppliers initially offered valid service options and Skyscape have subsequently been selected as the preferred supplier after a comprehensive procurement process, including the carrying out of interviews, to identify a supplier who can deliver a flexible, scalable and cost effective off premise IaaS capability. Pricing did not form part of the evaluation decision at this stage due to the inability to compare pricing from the various suppliers given the wide range of approaches & options they offer and also the bespoke nature of the early adopter delivery programme. Instead more specific costing analysis will be undertaken for future early adopters based on the knowledge & experienced initially gained with Skyscape.

The principle is that Forces using IaaS will only pay for IT resources that they use. This means that the initial costs of the proof of concept can only be estimated at this stage and are based on initial minimum environment provision. This is currently capped at a maximum of £1,050 per month.

The new applications and off premise infrastructure will be managed by Nottinghamshire Information Services, on behalf of these early adopters and future regional applications that adopt this service.

INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF DECISION: (e.g report or business case)

Full Business Case v4.2 – approved in principle at four / two force board meeting on 1st December 2014, and updated on 19th December 2014 to reflect the change of SRO from ACO Monckton to ACC Torr.

Is any of the supporting information classified as non-public or confidential information**?	Yes		No	X
If yes, please state under which category number from the guidance**				


DECISION:

Approve the implementation of the proof of concept environment for the new, off premise cloud based infrastructure.

Approve the stated budget to progress the initial contract with Skyscape.

OFFICER APPROVAL

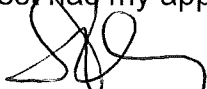
I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that the appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Signature:  Date: 21/7/15
Chief Executive

DECLARATION:

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and I take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Any interests are indicated below:

The above request has my approval.

Signature:  Date: 21/7/15
Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

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