

**THE OFFICE OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER  
FOR DERBYSHIRE  
DECISION RECORD**

<b>Request for PCC Decision</b>	<b>Received in OPCC Date: August 2022</b>	<b>OPCC Ref: DN45-22</b>
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**DEMS**

Like all police forces, Derbyshire Constabulary has experienced a huge growth in the amount of digital evidence it is handling during investigations. The volume of digital data to be gathered and accessed during an investigation and the complexity of navigating around the multiple locations where it is currently stored is an obstacle for investigators, which raises the risk of digital evidence failing to be captured correctly or being missed completely. Once digital evidence has been gathered and assessed, sharing it with the CPS and other criminal justice partners also presents a problem. The CPS no longer accept submission of digital evidence via DVD, and as the force does not currently have an alternative sharing mechanism of its own, a workaround is in operation using a CPS system.

By introducing a DEMS the force will be aligning with the policing vision 2025 by ensuring evidence is accessible, readable and has long term integrity. It will provide a seamless interface between policing and the criminal justice system to ensure digital evidence can be presented easily and without delay. It will meet the increasing demand from the public to pass their digital evidence in a modern way.

A route to market was identified via the Derbyshire IT Hardware, Software and Consumables framework which is in place with Insight Direct (UK) Limited and offers a compliant route to market via direct award. The business requirements were shared with appropriate suppliers who are partnered with Insight Direct (UK) Limited. .

A viable solution, offered by Axon Public Safety UK Limited has been evaluated by DC in accordance with a pre-agreed scoring criterion. Axon Public Safety UK Limited's offering meets DC's requirements and therefore the contract for the Provision of a Digital Evidence Management Solution is to be awarded to Insight

Direct (UK) Limited (of which will be provided by Axon Public Safety UK Limited) for the total contract value of £2,131,500.00 which covers the period of 5 years from go-live, which is currently estimated to be 1 September 2022.

**Decision**

Approved

**Declaration**

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire. Any such interests are recorded below.

None

The above request has my approval.

**Signature**



**Date 25 August 2022**

**PUBLICATION SCHEME CONSIDERATIONS**

**Is the related Section B report to be published Yes**

The report contains commercially sensitive information.

**Is the publication of this approval to be deferred No**

If Yes, provide reasons below

**Date to be deferred to –**

NB Statutory Instrument 2011/3050 (as amended by SI 2012/2479) states that: *all decisions made by a PCC are in the types of information that must “be published as soon as practicable after it becomes available to the elected local policing body”.*

**OFFICER APPROVAL**

**Chief Executive or Nominee:**

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities 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

Name Andrew Dale

Date 25 August 2022