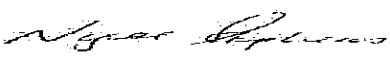
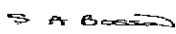
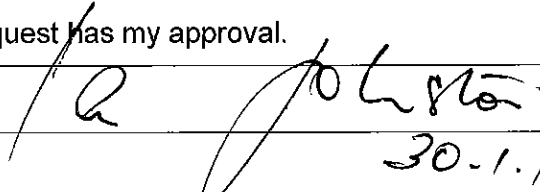


DECISION NO: PCCG-2015-002	
<u>OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER</u>	
TITLE:	Provision of Body Worn Cameras
DATE:	8th December 2014
TIMING:	Routine
PURPOSE:	For Decision
1.	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
1.1	It is recommended that Gwent Police should utilise the National framework for the requirement of Body Worn Cameras, which is being led by East Midlands Strategic Commercial Unit (EMSCU) on behalf of the Home Office. This in accordance with paragraph 63c of the Manual of Governance.
2.	<u>INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND</u>
2.1	In October 2013 and January 2014, Business Cases were submitted to Business Tasking Co-ordinating Group (BTCG) around the proposal use, trial and purchase of Body Worn Cameras for the force.
2.2	The cases were approved by BTCG and the go-ahead was granted for the force to implement Body Worn Cameras. At this point is where the Procurement Department were request to carry out research into the market to seek the best route for the purchase of Body Worn Cameras.
3.	<u>PROCUREMENT OPTIONS AND BENCHMARKING</u>
3.1	The Procurement Department has undertaken research into the market place and the options available to the force to procure the requirement of Body Worn Cameras.
3.2	There are a number of forces in the UK who have already purchased body worn cameras and are using them operationally. These forces purchased the cameras via the SPRINT II Framework, which expired in March 2014. The supplier related to this framework was not a specialist in body worn cameras but a re-seller of the Body Worn Camera products available in the marketplace.
3.3	Research into Crown Commercial Services (CCS), Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) and Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO) purchasing organisations, highlighted that there was no frameworks available to the force where Body Worn Cameras were able to be purchased from.
3.4	During discussions with YPO, they did allude to a new process which was in their pipeline where a dedicated lot was going to be put in place for Body Worn Cameras, but this wasn't planned to be awarded until quarter one or two of 2015.
3.5	After this research, consideration was given to allow for the force to establish their own framework through a procurement process, as at the time it was the only viable option to achieve the requirements of the force.
3.6	Whilst working on our specification, the Home Office directly appointed EMSCU to carry out a National Framework for the provision of Body Worn

	Cameras in October 2014. This National Framework would be open for the force to use and would realise the benefits of economies of scale.
3.7	The Body Worn Camera Evaluation Panel, carried out a review of the EMSCU specification and framework criteria, and agreed that the proposed National Framework meets the requirements of the force.
3.8	On award of the framework a mini competition would need to be carried out under lot 4 of the framework which has been identified to provide the forces requirements.
3.9	The EMSCU framework is due to be awarded mid-January 2015.
4.	<u>FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>
4.1	The budget for the purchase of the body worn cameras is £260,000, which will enable the force to purchase approximately 350 body worn camera devices and relevant accessories required to run them.
5.	<u>PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS</u>
5.1	There are no personnel considerations.
6.	<u>RISK</u>
6.1	There is a minimal amount of risk to the force for utilising this route to market to purchase the Body Worn Camera devices. The only delay identified relates to timescales where the forces propose timescales may slip should there be a delay in the award of the National Framework.
7.	<u>CONTACT OFFICER</u>
7.1	David Hatchley, Senior Procurement Officer.
8.	<u>ANNEXES</u>
8.1	N/A

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Office of the Chief Constable I confirm that the Provision of Body Worn Cameras report has been discussed and approved at a formal Chief Officers' meeting. It is now forwarded to the OPCC for approval.	
Signature: 	
Date: 9th January 2015	
	Tick to confirm (if applicable)
Financial The Chief Finance Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	✓
OPCC (insert name) The Chief Executive has reviewed the request and is satisfied that it is correct and consistent with the PCC's plans and priorities.	✓
Legal The legal team have been consulted on this proposal.	N/A
Equalities The Equalities Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	N/A
Chief Executive/Deputy Chief Executive: I have been consulted about the proposal and can confirm that financial, legal, equalities etc... advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate report to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent.	
Signature: 	
Date: 29/01/15	
Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent 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. The above request has my approval.	
Signature: 	
Date: 30.1.15	

