

<b>DECISION NUMBER: PCCG-2020-045</b>	
<b><u>OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER</u></b>	
<b>LEAD CHIEF OFFICER:</b>	<b>Nigel Stephens, ACO – Resources</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Vehicle Recovery Services Contract</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> December 2020</b>
<b>TIMING:</b>	<b>Urgent</b>
<b>PURPOSE:</b>	<b>For decision</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b>
1.1	In accordance with paragraphs 20-24 and paragraph 66 of Part 3e Standing Orders Relating to Contracts within the Manual of Corporate Governance, Gwent Police will utilise the framework that Dyfed Powys Police has awarded for Vehicle Recovery Services to FMG Support (RRRM) Limited.
<b>2.</b>	<b><u>INTRODUCTION &amp; BACKGROUND</u></b>
2.1	Gwent Police (GP) have previously utilized the Surrey and Sussex Framework for their vehicle recovery requirements. The existing contract is due to expire on 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2021. Dyfed Powys acted as the lead force for Procurement on behalf of Gwent, South Wales and Dyfed Powys.
2.2	The OJEU tender was advertised openly (OJEU Ref 2020/S 192-465205) on Sell2Wales and Contracts Finder, with a closing date for receipt of tenders to be submitted on 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2020.
2.3	The tender was advertised as a three-year framework with the option to extend for a further one-year period.
2.4	The Vehicle Recovery Service Contract requires the services of Vehicle Recovery Operators (VROs) for the Statutory recovery of vehicles. These services are provided through a Managing Agent. This contract also includes the Movement of Police Vehicles.
<b>3.</b>	<b><u>ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION</u></b>
3.1	Three tender submissions were received.
3.2	Dyfed Powys Police Procurement solely completed the evaluation of the Qualification responses of the tender. Representatives from Vehicle Recovery Services and Fleet from the three forces evaluated the Technical responses of the tender.

3.3	Presentations of the proposals were given by all three tendering organisations.			
3.4	The evaluation scores are detailed below			
		Technical Score	Commercial Score	Total
	Supplier A	56.00	15.08	71.08
	Supplier B	60.00	29.84	89.84
	Supplier C	44.00	24.38	68.38
3.5	A financial review of the recommended supplier has been undertaken by Dyfed Powys Finance Department. No issues were raised.			
3.6	A review of the Security Questionnaire for the recommended supplier has been undertaken by Dyfed Powys Information Security and Information Technology departments. No issues were raised.			
3.7	FMG Support will use subcontractors to provide the service locally. This is the same position as the previous contract.			
<b>4.</b>	<b><u>NEXT STEPS</u></b>			
4.1	Dyfed Powys will lead with the contract award and contract signature.			
4.2	Once contracts are signed by all parties, the contract implementation and handover will begin.			
<b>5.</b>	<b><u>FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS</u></b>			
5.1	As highlighted in section 2.4 the contract requires the services of Vehicle Recovery Operators (VROs) for the statutory recovery of vehicles and the movement of Police Vehicles.  The Commercial element of the contract involves collection of Statutory Fees by the VROs, along with payment by forces of Non-Statutory fees and for movement of Police vehicles.			
5.2	The contract value is volume dependent, but estimated at £127,890 payable by Gwent over the initial three year contract period.			
<b>6.</b>	<b><u>PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS</u></b>			
6.1	TUPE was not considered applicable by the existing providers of the service to Gwent Police.			
<b>7.</b>	<b><u>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</u></b>			
7.1	As Dyfed Powys were the lead on this Procurement, the Terms and Conditions of Contract were drafted by an external Legal Team. Gwent and South Wales Joint Legal Services were consulted earlier in the process.			

7.2	The procurement process for the arrangement has been completed in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015.
<b>8.</b>	<b><u>EQUALITIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS</u></b>
8.1	<p>This report has been considered against the general duty to promote equality, as stipulated under the Strategic Equality Plan and has been <b>assessed</b> not to discriminate against any particular group.</p> <p>Consideration has been given to requirements of the Articles contained in the European Convention on Human Rights and the Human Rights Act 1998 in preparing this report.</p>
<b>9.</b>	<b><u>RISK</u></b>
9.1	<p>This is a vital service and the risks for the Commissioner if the use of the framework is not approved are identified as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No contractual managed service in place after 31 March 2021</li> <li>• No service provision or contract in place after 31 March 2021</li> <li>• Increase in cost to the force to establish our own managed service contract or establish our own in-house managed scheme</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	<b><u>PUBLIC INTEREST</u></b>
10.1	Following approval and contract signature this report can be published.
<b>11.</b>	<b><u>CONTACT OFFICER</u></b>
11.1	Sian Gunner, Procurement Manager, Gwent Police
<b>12.</b>	<b><u>ANNEXES</u></b>
12.1	None.

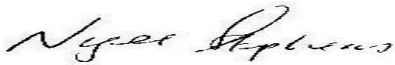
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**Office of the Chief Constable**

I confirm that Award of a Vehicle Recovery Services Contract report has been discussed and approved at a formal Chief Officers' meeting.

It is now forwarded to the OPCC for information purposes.

**Signature:**



**Date: 14.12.2020**

**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: 14.12.2020**

\*This report has been signed by the Chief Finance Officer on behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner as per Part 3c, Scheme of Consent and Delegation, Paragraph 9 of the Manual of Corporate Governance.