



AGENDA NO: 13

INDEPENDENT AUDIT COMMITTEE – 11 SEPTEMBER 2019

INSURANCE PROGRAMME TENDERING EXERCISE

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PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Members on the schedule of work to place the insurance programme out to market for renewal.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Members will recall a paper presented at the meeting on the 2nd April 2019, together with a schedule of costs for the insurance programme for Devon & Cornwall and Dorset Police.
- 1.2 The providers of the insurance programme are appointed to a fixed term contract for a period of three years with the opportunity for two additional year's extensions. Five years in total. This period ends at the 31 March 2020.

At the time, a broad outline of the timetable for the retender was provided. This paper now provides more detail on the programme of work and our progress against this.

2. PROGRAMME OF WORK

- 2.1 Attached at appendix A is a detailed programme of work with key milestones for the delivery of the programme in time for a 1 April 2020 inception.
- 2.2 The intention is that Forces that comprise the Region will go out to tender together and will seek to secure financial benefit through this process and the desire to appoint the same provider where beneficial.
- 2.3 The Police and Crime Act 2017 places a duty to keep under consideration whether entering into a collaboration agreement with one or more other relevant emergency service could be in the interests of efficiency or effectiveness of that service and those of other services.

- 2.4 The Chief Financial Officer for Wiltshire is the regional lead for Insurance and together with our appointed insurance Brokers AON is leading on this collaboration. They are working very closely with the Head of Audit, Insurance and Strategic Risk Management and the Senior Insurance Officer, who are responsible for this area of business for both Devon & Cornwall and Dorset.
- 2.5 The Insurance Act 2015 places a legal duty on Devon & Cornwall and Dorset to disclose a fair presentation of risk, which includes data that should reasonably, be known to the insurance officer and senior management of the Force/OPCC and or been revealed through a reasonable search of information, together with the last ten years of historical claims data.
- 2.6 You will see from the timetable that a number of regional meetings have taken place with the Chief Financial Officers to discuss and agree the approach and strategy for the tender, and to determine policy limits, deductibles and changes to cover.
- 2.7 Evidence gathering and completion of the ITT framework are on-going, and the programme of work from the perspective of Dorset and Devon & Cornwall remains on target.
- 2.8 The next meeting is on the 4 September 2019 to discuss with potential bidders the draft tender frameworks and to identify any further information they would find useful in providing a competitive bid.
- 2.9 A further update will be provided to the Committee at their April 2020 meeting, at which time the tender process will be complete.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Members are asked to note the programme of work and the progress made against key milestones.

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