

OPCC Record of Decision

Project Name or Title
Immersion Challenge

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1. Background

- 1.1 In 2019, the PCC launched an innovation challenge in partnership with Exeter City Futures (ECF) to find ways to reduce unnecessary delays from road closures following road traffic collisions. The goal was to reduce the impact on the economy and environment by returning traffic flow to normal as soon as possible after a traffic collision without compromising the quality of the investigation.

The challenge invited firms to propose new technology to assist police collision investigation teams to substantially reduce the time it takes collision investigation teams to conduct their work at the scene.

Following an 'immersion' phase in which teams work alongside collision investigation teams to assess the needs and demands from the service, a presentation was provided to the Police and Crime Commissioner, Assistant Chief Constable Nye, members of the Collision Investigation Team and Exeter City Futures.

Following further discussions and refinement in consultation with Devon and Cornwall Police Serious Collisions Investigation Team, agreement has been reached to award a contract to Kaizen PLM to provide training, kit, consultancy and software.

2. Decision Record

- 2.1 The OPCC will award £40,000 to Kaizen PLM for training, kit, consultancy and software. Kaizen PLM will provide the force with a working prototype camera and GPS system. The investment will allow further refinement of the product in an operational environment.



3. Consultation, Engagement and Communication

3.1 The immersion challenge has had the full co-operation from Devon and Cornwall Police with the Executive Sponsor being ACC Jim Nye. The head of the Serious Collision Investigation Unit has been heavily involved in the practical elements of both the Immersion Challenge itself, and the follow up and testing of the product.

4. OPCC Monitoring Officer advice

4.1 Legal, Management and Equality Implications – Current and Future

The PCC's Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer has advised that the arrangements set out in the proposal meet the requirements of the PCC's Investment Strategy and the criteria for awarding capital grants.

The PCC's CEO and Monitoring Officer has advised that this decision is within the powers of those making it and that, from the information provided, there would not appear to be any adverse legal, managerial or equality implications arising from the proposal.

4.2 Financial and Commercial – Current and Future

The PCC's Chief Finance Officer and S151 Officer has advised that the financial requirements of this Decision are consistent with the criteria of the PCC's Investment Strategy and delivers against the PCC's Police and Crime Plan priorities.

The PCC's Chief Finance Officer and S151 Officer has advised that the financial implications set out within this decision are both reasonable and deliverable. This will help support the organisation in its drive to be as efficient and effective as possible.

5. Supporting documents:

5.1 n/a

6. Official approval

6.1 Following the appropriate approval, this decision sheet will be published, subject to FOIA classification, on the OPCC website.



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The Recommendation for Decision as outlined in this report is formally approved and subject to Freedom of Information Classification will be published on the OPCC website:

Police and Crime Commissioner
Alison Hernandez

Signed
Print: Alison Hernandez
Date: 27 October 2020

**Governance Signature by
Monitoring Officer
Frances Hughes**

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Date: 27 October 2020

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