

Decision Note – CREST Support to LCJB Performance
Framework Product: Year 3



STAFFORDSHIRE COMMISSIONER
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REQUEST FOR DECISION BY THE STAFFORDSHIRE COMMISSIONER

	Policing:	Crime:	Fire & Rescue:
This decision relates to:	✓		

APPROVAL (for completion by Staffordshire Commissioner only)

Rationale for approval

Completion of service with final report and handover of templates

STAFFORDSHIRE COMMISSIONER

Signature

Date

18/8/22

Date decision required by:

If an urgent approval is required, please state reasons:

For completion by Staffordshire Commissioner's Office only:-

Decision Number: SCP/D/202223/003

Date Received: 25 August 2022

	Yes	No
Has the required decision been considered under the guidance of the Staffordshire Commissioner's Decision Making Policy?	X	
Has the required decision been deemed to be a Key Decision as defined within the Staffordshire Commissioner's Decision Making Policy?	X	
Who is empowered to make the required decision? Staffordshire Commissioner		

Title	CJS performance report and templates in Staffordshire
<p>Summary:</p> <p>This decision form requests the Staffordshire Commissioner to approve the purchase of CREST Analytical consultancy to support delivery of one final quarterly performance report for the Local CJS Partnership Board and sub groups. Crest has delivered quarterly performance reports for the Staffordshire PCC/LCJB during 2021/2022 which have been shared and supported by the LCJPB and the final report was delivered in May 2022.</p> <p>Funding is required to maintain provision of a final quarterly report on 2nd August 2022 and 5 days consultancy for handover of templates by September 2022 so that the SCO can maintain continuity of service.</p> <p>The framework report product has been approved by LCJPB and supported by all partners.</p> <p>The national programme for a national CJS Performance Framework product has not yet been developed sufficiently to provide LCJB's with an overview of local CJS issues although further work is planned internally to include Delivery Data Dashboard measures for RASSO and All Crime (scorecard) within future LCJPB reports.</p>	
<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That the Staffordshire Commissioner approves the final report at a cost of £3,900+VAT and 5days consultancy for handover of templates £3,900+VAT.</p>	

Chief Executive

I hereby approve the recommendation for consideration.

Signature



Date

27/07/22

REPORT AND ADVICE TO THE STAFFORDSHIRE COMMISSIONER**Context**

- Over the last two years, Crest has produced 8 quarterly performance reports for Staffordshire's OPCC to inform the LCJPB and its sub-groups
- The previous contract expired in February 2022 (following report 7) however Crest provided a further report (8) in April as there was a minimal budget underspend
- The reports have been developed to incorporate a consistent suite of metrics. Many of these are updated quarterly, however some data is only available annually
- The reports cover three main areas of CJS performance: effectiveness and efficiency, victims and witnesses, and reducing reoffending
- Crest also currently provides CJS performance reports on a quarterly basis for West Mercia Police. There have been some economies of scale to providing this service, and so a reduced consultancy rate was offered to both areas. However West Mercia does not wish to proceed with quarterly reporting after August
- Going forward Crest proposes moving to an annual report, with local quarterly updates provided by the OPCC (or other agency). This will allow Crest to provide greater insight in a more detailed annual report, while providing the OPCC with the templates to conduct internal analysis on an ad hoc basis as required

Proposal

We propose to provide a final quarterly report for Staffordshire and templates to support the replication of these reports internally:

1. A final quarterly report to be delivered on the 2nd of August
2. Preparation of templates for internal analysis and presentation

1. Final quarterly report

Crest will contact all existing data providers (outlined in the previous contract inc. domestic abuse data) to obtain data updates, and provide an updated suite of reports to the OPCC ready for dissemination on the 2nd of August. This will include:

- Executive Summary Report
- CJS Performance Report
- Efficiency and Effectiveness Summary

- Reducing Reoffending Summary
- Victims and Witnesses Summary

Cost: This will require 5 days of work at a cost of £3,600+VAT.

Timings: To be delivered by 2nd August

2. Preparation of templates for OPCC use

Following production of the final annual report, Crest will prepare a template excel sheet and a powerpoint deck and a how-to guide outlining the process for data analysis and report collation according to the approach used to create the last 8 quarterly reports for the OPCC.

This will be as exhaustive as possible detailing sources and analytical methods used so that the work can be easily replicated internally. The time budgeted below will also allow for handover session/s with the OPCC to go through the templates in detail.

Cost: This will require 5 days of work at a cost of £3,600+VAT.

Timings: To be delivered by 1st September

1. Issues for consideration

- There is a separate national project for a CJS performance framework being developed but a product will not be seen this year, 2022.
- This product will be an interim solution and SCO are considering the best way to deliver the framework post August 2022.
- Staffs PFCC will need to identify resource once the handover of templates has been completed in order to maintain delivery of the quarterly reports.

2. What other options have been considered?

- Stop production of wider CJS performance measures until best practice is provided from MoJ on their review of LCJBs. This risk is deemed too high as all CJ partners are bought into this CREST process and data sharing is better than ever before.
- Rely on the published Data Delivery Dashboards (was known as National Balanced Scorecards.) This only focus on timeliness and volume of cases through the CJS and are currently 6months out of date.
- Recruitment of dedicated permanent CJS analyst for the LCJB. This route is not considered viable whilst PCC review is underway and role of PCC and LCJB may change.

3. Consultation and Engagement undertaken

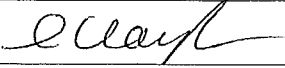
- LCJPB
- Crest Advisory
- Regional CJS Performance Analyst Group
- Regional CJS Forum
- Regional Governance Group
- Regional PCC Offices (& CEX Meeting)
- APACE

Report Implications

4. Monitoring Officer comments:

If agreed, this contract will be procured via direct award for continuity of provision whilst awaiting a national product. This would be the third procurement of Crest resources by the SCO.

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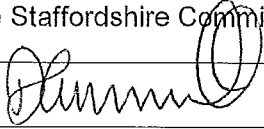
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5. Section 151 Officer comments:

This is unbudgeted spend for the SCO and if agreed will need to be funded from brought forward reserves held by the Staffordshire Commissioner

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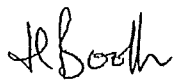


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	Yes	No
Has legal advice (outside of that provided by the Monitoring Officer) been sought on the content of this report?		X
6. Legal Comments: N/A		
7. Equality Comments – please attach the completed EIA		
There are no direct equality implications arising from the proposal. However, a well-developed CJS performance framework will assist in addressing one of the key priorities in our local strategy, which is that of fairness.		
8. Background/supporting paper None		
Please answer the following questions	Yes	No
9. Public access to information?	X	
10. Does this decision involve the processing of personal data? (If yes please attach a completed Data Impact Assessment)	X	X
11. Is the publication of this form to be deferred? (If yes approx. how long?)		X
12. Does this form contain commercial or operationally sensitive information which is to be redacted? (If yes, please provide details with the submission of this note)		X

13. ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

Author	Helen Booth
Signed	
Date	20 July 2022