



# THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CLEVELAND DECISION RECORD FORM

**REQUEST:** For PCC approval.

Title: Investment in Enterprise Resource Planning System

## **Executive Summary:**

In 2010 at the outset of the contract with Sopra Steria, part of the service improvement programme was the upgrading of the existing Origin HR system to Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS), an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system for HR, iRecruitment, iLearning, all aspects of Finance and Procurement which incorporated our Capita Origin Duty Management System (DMS). At an early stage decisions were taken not to progress with some functionality such as iRecruitment and Self Service training course bookings, alternative methods are used for these processes.

The platform is now aged and coming towards the end of its expected useful life and requires significant investment and work to either upgrade or replace. It is not possible to upgrade the software on the current hardware and a project to deliver the required change is necessary to ensure continuity of service and support.

Support from Sopra Steria will end on the 1st October 2020 when the responsibility for IT services transfers back to the Force/PCC and this is being managed as part of that project. In addition to this the current version of Oracle EBS will no longer be fit to receive updates and patches beyond December 2021 resulting in potential security risks alongside organisational risks, in terms of the ability to pay staff and invoices should something go wrong.

A decision is now required in respect of the following options to deliver an extensive 12 month project and to ensure service continuity of an ERP system beyond 2020/2021. This is a programme of work that was anticipated and some budget provision has been made within the Capital budget amounting to £1.5m, in terms of Capital expenditure over 2 years, with a further £632k set aside for the resources required to deliver the project.

The options considered are as follows:

Option 1 – Do Nothing

Option 2 – On premises Hardware and Software refresh

Option 3 – Move to a new cloud solution – Oracle Fusion

Option 4 - Migrate and Re-Platform to Oracle

Option 5 – Direct Award with a preferred supplier

These options are discussed further in the attached supporting paper which has a clear recommendation for Option 4.

#### Decision:

The PCC is asked to support and approve that Option 4, to migrate and re-platform to Oracle Cloud is progressed with in line with the proposals from the Force. To support this recommendation is it worth recognising that Option 4 fits with the Forces' strategy to move to Cloud based products; it sits within the financial envelope available and will provide minimal impact on service users' both on the frontline and in support services. This option also provides

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## Sustainability Implications

The proposed solution should provide the organisation with a supported ERP system until at least 2030 that meets the current business needs of the organisation, without investment of some sort then the current system will not be updated from 2021 onwards.

## **Risk Management Implications**

If the organisation was to choose the 'Do Nothing' option then it would need to take a risk based approach to use the system without support and the business impact of running a complex system such as this without support could be significant, the system was installed in 2012 and is therefore on an ageing platform, as time passes there is an increasing risk of failure and increased security risk. In addition to these risks repair costs will be at a premium and will gradually increase over time.

Beyond 2021 Oracle system updates, including security to the payroll element of the current platform will cease at which point the risks will increase significantly. Implementing the proposal set out within the Decision Record Form will mitigate these risks.

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#### **Monitoring Officer**

Signed

I have been consulted about the decision and confirm that financial, legal, and equalities advice has been taken into account. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

16/10/10

Date

Police and Crime Commissioner:			
The above request HAS my approval.			
Signed Blan	Date	28/10/19	