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Chief Officer	
Report to PCC	Report reference number
	KEBR07213 – Multi-functional Devices and Printers Mini-Competition PCC / 003 4 / 13
Date of Decision	Area of County/Stakeholders affected All areas within Essex Police
Date of Report	
Title of report – Supply and Maintenance	of MFDs and Printers
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1. Purpose of report

This report is to inform the Head of Procurement, Director of Support Services and the Police and Crime Commissioner of a recommendation to appoint a Contractor for the provision and support of MFDs (printers, scanners, copiers) to Essex Police. The contract will also be available to Kent Police in due course though this would be subject to a separate business case

2. Recommendations

On the basis of our evaluation, agree to award a contract for the provision and maintenance of MFDs and Printers to Xerox Ltd.

3. Benefits of Proposal

The Contract is to maintain and improve access to printing and scanning technology in response to the changing requirements of areas such as CJD where current procedures demand the increased use of scanners in providing information to the courts.

4. Background and proposal

There is a need to establish a new contract to replace the previous one which has expired. Please refer to Contract Award Recommendation paper – KEBR07213 Provision and Maintenance of MFDs and Printers.

5. Police and Crime Plan

N/A

6. Police Operational Implications

The contract will serve to maximise the reliability, availability and serviceability of the current print/copy/scan capability in support of the improved management of information within the force.

7. Financial Implications

Please refer to Contract Award Recommendation paper – KEBR07213 Provision and Maintenance of MFDs and Printers.

8. Legal Implications

There are no legal implications arising as a result of this proposal.

9. Staffing and other resource implications

There are no resourcing implications as a result of this proposal.

10. Equality and Diversity implications

There are no equality and diversity implications as a result of this proposal.

11. Background papers

Please refer to document KEBR07213 – Provision and Maintenance of MFDs and Printers.

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The report provides a justification supporting the recommendation that the contract should be awarded to Xerox Ltd.

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	PCC Legal Advisor (As necessary)
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TITLE OF TENDER: Provision and Maintenance of MFDs and Printers

REF: KEBR07213

CONTRACT AWARD RECOMMENDATION

Number of Suppliers Invited to Tender	3
No. of Bidders	3
Bidders details:	Xerox
Tender Issued Date	15 th April 2013
Tender Closing Date	10 th May 2013
Evaluation Period	May 2013
Evaluation Team	Barry Rimmer, Jeni Windsor, Andy Banham (Essex), Davinder Gataora, Kesh Kotecha (SCC)
Contract Award Date	TBC
Contract Awarded To	Xerox
Contract Period	48 months + optional 12 months extension
Estimated Contract Value over the contract period	
Collaborative Contract	Yes, via the SCC framework

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2. Background/Introduction

Purpose of Contract

To maintain and improve the reliability, availability and serviceability of upgraded print facilities throughout Essex Police. The current equipment is out of contract and the new hardware will effectively replace most of the currently installed devices and through a process of rationalisation, reduce costs and the overall number of devices required across the county.

Brief overview of Goods/Services/Works and why it is required for policing needs

The Contract is to maintain and improve access to printing and scanning technology in response to the changing requirements of areas such as CJD where current procedures demand the increased use of scanners in providing information to the courts.

Procurement Procedure undertaken

Using the Sprint ii framework, we negotiated the involvement of SCC specialists in managing a tender at no cost to our organisation. The tender was issued to three agreed suppliers and following a joint evaluation of the costs, functionality and service quality, the best two suppliers were asked to provide a Best and Final Offer in terms of total cost of ownership. Tenders were initially issued on 15th April 2013, responses received on 10th May 2013 and the BAFO responses were received on 31st May 2013.

3. Tender Evaluation

Evaluation Criteria and weightings

In view of the current focus on cost reduction, price was a key element of the evaluation criteria but functionality, serviceability and delivery timescales were also assessed.

Price	 Total Cost of Ownership 	*	40% 40%
	 Solution Compatibility Serviceability Delivery Sustainability 		60% 20% 20% 10% 10%

• Tender Evaluation Panel

The Tender Evaluation Panel comprised of representatives from Essex Procurement Department, members from ICT Directorate and specialists from SCC plc.

Following evaluation, the scores awarded to each supplier were as follows:

	Award Criteria			Xerox
Total Cost of Ownership	40%	72.8	60.8	80
Solution Compatibility	20%	36	28	36
Serviceability	2%	36	30	32
Delivery	10%	24	24	24
Sustainability	10%	14	14	14
Total Score	100%	182.8	156.8	186
Ranking		2	3	1

Proposed contract costs for the 4-year term were as follows:

4 Year Comparison

Manufacturer	Total per Quarter	Total over Term
Xerox		

Currently, the force has 700 printers, 58 multi-functional devices (MFDs) and 198 standalone photocopiers installed. This project will reduce the overall number of devices to 200 printers, 165 MFDs and zero standalone photocopiers.

The following information details the current and future expenditure based upon the forecast reduction in devices as a result of the opportunity to share newly installed technology.

	Current Spend (annual)	Forecast Spend (annual)
Photocopiers/MFDs		
Consumables		
Support & Maintenance Essex Printer Fleet		
Total		
Total potential saving	-	£87,325

The current device spend of second is artificially low because Ricoh, following the expiry of the previous contract and on the basis that the devices are considered to be old technology, reduced the rental charges to zero and merely charged the force for the 'click' charges i.e. a fixed rate for printing per page.

The consumables charge is based upon toners and does not include paper. This is currently a high expenditure because there are 956 devices in use but this number will be reduced to 365 (200 printers and 165 MFDs). Consumables will therefore reduce to approximately 30% of the current cost.

The new costs negotiated by SCC include a discount to lease pricing offered in the first year if we can place an order for 80 devices before the end of June 2013. This volume is already identified in the initial installation schedule and represents a saving of £21,629.

As mentioned earlier, since November 2011 when the previous contract expired, the incumbent supplier, Ricoh, has only charged the force on a per copy basis but it is not possible to continue this arrangement due to the increased maintenance required by the ageing hardware. For obvious reasons, the supplier now considers this arrangement to be commercially unacceptable.

For these reasons and the savings presented by this migration to much improved technology, we would respectfully request your consideration of this recommendation as soon as possible so that we are able to take advantage of the discounts offered.

4. Recommended Supplier

Whilst the submissions from and Xerox were reasonable, acceptable and competitive, the total cost of ownership offered by Xerox produced the differential in our assessment.

Both suppliers were comparable in terms of technology and quality of service but the current pressure on budgets rightly suggests that our preferred supplier should be Xerox.

As part of the evaluation process, Essex Police contacted Cumbria Police seeking their views on the performance of Xerox as a strategic partner. Cumbria Police were extremely satisfied with the performance of hardware, levels of service and the technical competence of staff involved in supporting their contract. Overall, their level of satisfaction was very high and they would not hesitate to recommend Xerox as a trustworthy and competent supplier.

Consequently, on the basis of cost and the discussion with Cumbria Police which confirmed their capabilities, the Tender Evaluation Panel recommends that the Contract be awarded to Xerox Ltd.

5. Period of Contract

The Contract will be for a term of 48 months plus an optional 12 month extension (total of 5 years) and will commence immediately. As mentioned earlier, the previous contract with Ricoh has now expired and it is necessary to schedule a swift transition to this new arrangement in order to achieve the targets of reduced revenue, improved functionality, improved reliability and reduced hardware volumes.

6. Experian Report An Experian Report was run on 17th June 2013 and this confirmed the following: The company is considered to be very low risk with a five star Delphi rating and a Delphi score of 100 out of 100. Experian would have no hesitation in recommending credit transactions up to £10,000,000 7. Terms and Conditions There are no known risks to highlight. 8. Recommendation In conclusion approval is sought for Essex Police to engage Xerox Ltd for the specific provision and maintenance of multi-functional devices fully supporting the print, scanning and copying requirements of the force. On the basis of projected plans, the total cost of the contract over the 4-year period is expected to be Name: Barry Rimmer Contracts Officer Date: 16th April 2013 Comments: Head of Procurement: Date: Comments: Director of Support Services: Date:

Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex:

Date:

Comments: