



## Briefing Report for Police and Crime Commissioner Candidates

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### 1. Introduction

This briefing report is intended to provide an overview and current update on the Athena Programme.

### 2. Programme Overview

Athena is a fully integrated, web based information and communications technology solution designed to manage core policing business, including;

- Intelligence Management
- Investigation Management
- Protection of Vulnerable People
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Defendant Management (Custody and Case preparation)
- Property Management
- Warrants Management
- Digital Public Contact
- Partner Agency Problem Solving Platform
- Advanced Data Analytics

A fully managed service, the solution is centrally hosted in a secure private cloud by Northgate Public Services.

The contract was awarded in December 2011 following a robust procurement process, the value being £32 Million for a ten year contract to the seven founder forces<sup>1</sup>, and the then governance bodies, Police Authorities, costs fairly attributed according to force net revenue budgets.

In 2015, two further forces contracted the solution (Warwickshire & West Mercia), the current collaborative consortium including;

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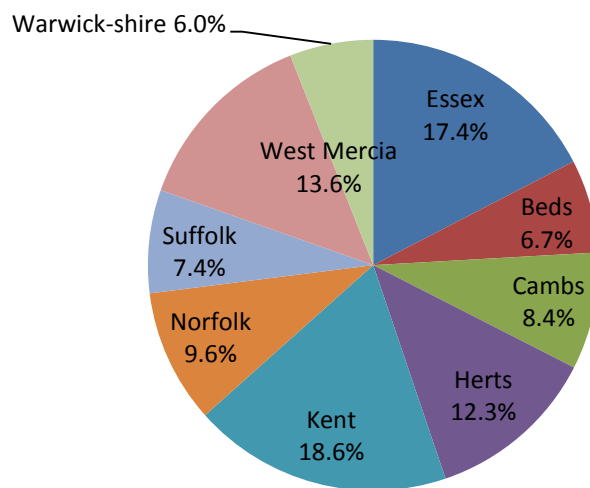
<sup>1</sup> Beds. Cambs. Herts. Norfolk, Suffolk, Kent and Essex.

- Bedfordshire
- Cambridgeshire
- Essex
- Hertfordshire
- Kent
- Norfolk
- Suffolk
- Warwickshire
- West Mercia

All forces have signed a Police Act Section 22 agreement giving a legal basis to the collaboration.

Currently, Essex, Norfolk and Suffolk are operationally live with the other forces undertaking implementation activities for go live in 2016.

All contract and future costs are distributed as below;

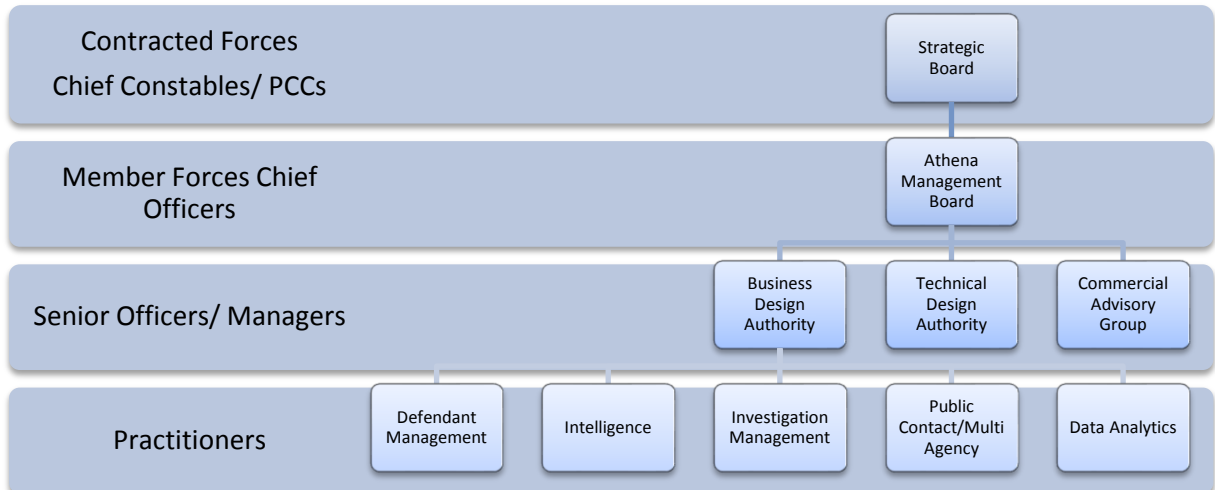


## 2. Governance

Significant contractual and financial decisions are made by the Strategic Athena Management Board, membership of which comprises all PCCs and Chief Constables of the contracted forces.

The Athena Management Board (AMB), attended by Chief Officers from all contracted forces, is responsible for programme planning, operational matters, finance management, reporting and providing direction to the Strategic Board.

The business and technical design authorities, along with the commercial advisory group report to the AMB.



### 3. Future Road Map

Designed with modern technology, Athena is a platform to build on. The solution supports the use of mobile devices utilising the contracted application programming interfaces (APIs) and further interfacing to other products, both internally and externally.

In 2015, the programme was successful in attracting £7 Million of Home Office police innovation funding to develop digital public reporting and interaction, multiagency problem solving and advanced data analytics. These tools will all be available by the end of 2017.

### 4. Key Benefits

- Modern technology
- Rich data set
- Common business processes allowing for greater collaborative opportunities
- Shared costs
- Full integration, no 're keying'
- Fully digital case files with an advanced two way interface with the Crown Prosecution Service
- Victim and witness care management
- Public interaction

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