Purpose of Report

1. This report provides the Panel with a National Police Procurement Hub (NPPH) ‘Zanzibar’ Update.

Recommendation

2. The Panel is recommended to note the content of the report and discharge this matter.

Update

3. The Home Office February 2017 e-UPDATE item 3 refers (Appendix A).

4. Forces have collectively agreed to terminate the NPPH (Zanzibar) contract at the end of June 2017.

5. It has been confirmed that no direct replacement for Zanzibar will be procured nationally. After June 2017 those forces who still want to do so can opt in to a Gcloud contract directly with Basware to continue or opt out completely.

6. Forces will be contacted by the Home Office to confirm their intentions either to contract directly with Basware or to explain what steps they are taking going forward.

7. The costs associated with migration to Zanzibar for Leicestershire Police were high and early work with our software providers did not permit a direct link between our old finance system, “SAGE”, and Zanzibar.

8. Leicestershire Police never contracted for these services. After challenging the Home Office on the annual fee we are charged for Zanzibar, procurement were successful and received a credit of £25,000.

9. The introduction of the new finance system Agresso has presented the Force with some of the benefits of a Zanzibar procure to pay system directly, without having to contract separately. Leicestershire Police will therefore be taking the option to opt out.
Implications
Financial : See paper
Legal : See paper
Equality Impact Assessment : N/A
Risks and Impact : See paper
Link to Police and Crime Plan : Policing Protocol

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Background Papers

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