# Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Report Title	Provision of donation of two end of service 4x4 vehicles for volunteer search teams
Decision number:	096/2015
Author and Job Role:	Alison Bolton, Chief Executive
Protective Marking:	Part One

#### **Executive Summary:**

The PCC has received a request from Surrey Police to donate one of its 4x4 vehicles to the lowland search team that services the needs of Surrey. The Surrey/Sussex Police joint transport service is currently in the process of replacing its 4x4 off road vehicles. The two lowland search teams (one in each county) could benefit considerably from the provision of an off road vehicle each. These vehicles would enable flexibility and resilience to both the teams.

The two teams are currently the first port of call for any high risk missing person where a search is required. Surrey and Sussex Police rely greatly on these teams to provide a service when it comes to planning searches in relation to missing persons. This is particularly relevant now, at a time when officer numbers are reducing. The provision of a vehicle for each team would enable them to vary their response and if necessary respond to more than one location.

There is no initial outlay for these vehicles. They are currently on the fleet and will be replaced by new vehicles. The only loss here would be the auction value of the vehicles that are donated. There will be no on-going costs to the police as it is anticipated that these will be gifted to the SAR teams. Once this has happened then the usual agreement is that the vehicle is registered to the team but full ownership is not transferred until 2 full years have passed. This negates any chance of the SAR team simply selling the vehicle on for profit.

It was initially thought that these two vehicles could be retained on fleet. However the cost to Operations Command to retain these vehicles would be  $\pounds 10$  per vehicle per day ( $\pounds 7,300$ ) which outweighs the value of the vehicles.

There is no request for funding on this report; rather this is a simple request for two ex-fleet vehicles to be gifted to the teams – one to Surrey, one to Sussex.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the PCC agrees to donate an ex-fleet 4x4 vehicle to the Surrey Search and Rescue team.

## Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

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Date: 08/06/2015

All decisions must be added to the decision register.

# Areas of consideration

### Consultation

This report comes with a recommendation for approval from the Chief Constable.

# **Financial implications**

As discussed in the report.

## Legal

None.

Risks None.

Equality and diversity None.

## **Risks to human rights** None.