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DECISION NUMBER: 03/2020
(to be completed on approval)

SUBMITTED TO: Martin Surl, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire

SUBJECT: Bamfurlong Development – Outline business case

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Constabulary has compiled an Outline Business Case (OBC) for the redevelopment of the Bamfurlong site which no longer meets the current operational needs and is in need of investment given the demands being placed upon it.

The aim of the proposed project is to demolish the existing buildings and redevelop the site to provide:

- a regionally / nationally significant operational site,
- a contemporary response base to meet local policing needs, and
- and create opportunities for future partner working and/ or development.

The overarching objective of the project is to benefit the communities of Gloucestershire.

Extensive work has taken place since February 2019 to prepare a scheme for the redevelopment of the site to meet operational needs. A detailed operational brief was taken between December 2018 and July 2019, to include operational stakeholder workshops. Since July 2019 the operational brief has changed to include uplift and the Tutor Assessment Unit, in preparation for PEQF.

An initial RIBA Stage 2 Scheme was produced in October 2019 by HLM Architects. Following an Architectural Peer Review in November 2019 a revised scheme was prepared by Corstorphine & Wright (C&W), resulting in an estimated cost saving from the HLM scheme of £1.1 m and providing more floor space which has been confirmed as meeting the operational brief. However, delivery of both the HLM and C&W schemes would cost more than the £18 m total budget set at the Finance Panel on 29 August 2019.

Between December 2019 and February 2020 the C&W scheme was the subject of Value Engineering and design review with the objective of reducing cost. A total of £758k for design led savings have been identified and are reflected in the current cost figure for this scheme (£21.6 m total project cost, including internal project team costs and decant costs). It has not been possible to achieve further design led savings at this stage in the process. Therefore, consideration has been given to omitting operational functions/ floor space from the design, as now reflected in the identified business options.

A number of options were presented to Constabulary Governance Board (CGB) on 14 February 2020.

CGB noted that the project was given a total cost envelope of £18 million which could not be exceeded. All options were considered.

CGB noted the options and remitted the decision to PCC's Governance Board.

RECOMMENDATION:

PCC's Governance Board is asked to note the options and the OBC, both of which are designed to inform debate at the main PCC's Governance meeting on 17 February 2020.

OUTCOME/APPROVAL BY:

Signature:



Date: 17.02.20

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire

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Is this a decision of significant public interest?

This includes a decision with any impact on the community, expenditure in excess of £50,000, or any decision that would be of obvious interest to the media or the general public

Yes – due to the value

<p>Does this report contain sensitive information?</p> <p><i>Does this report contain any information which falls into these categories?</i></p> <p>a) <i>would, in the view of the chief officer of the police, be against the interests of national security;</i> b) <i>might, in the view of the chief officer of police, jeopardise the safety of any person;</i> c) <i>might, in the view of the chief officer of police, prejudice the prevention or detection of crime, the apprehension or prosecution of offenders, or the administration of justice; or</i> d) <i>is prohibited by any enactment.</i> e) <i>breaches commercial sensitivity</i></p>	<p>Record which section(s) applies and explain why.</p> <p>Yes – (c) - (e)</p>
<p>ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)</p>	<p>Comments</p> <p>These sections must not be left blank</p>
<p>Has legal advice been sought on this submission if required?</p>	<p>Yes – throughout the project</p>
<p>Has the Chief Finance Officer been consulted, if required?</p>	<p>Yes – throughout the project</p>
<p>Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered, as appropriate?</p>	<p>Initial EIA considered</p>
<p>How is the recommendation consistent with the objectives of the Police and Crime Plan (PCP)?</p>	<p>Yes – in line with the intention to deliver buildings which are fit for purpose.</p>
<p>Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?</p>	<p>Yes – throughout the project</p>
<p>Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media, community, staff or partner interest and how they might be managed?</p>	<p>Yes – throughout the project</p>
<p>Have all relevant implications and risks been considered?</p>	<p>Yes – throughout the project</p>
<p>Has this paper / proposal been submitted through any other Constabulary boards? If so, please detail along with the result.</p>	<p>Yes – various project boards including CGB as well as with OPCC.</p>

PART ONE – For publication

Details for consideration by PCC Governance Board included in a part 2 Paper.

SPONSORING BOARD MEMBER APPROVAL

Name: Jon Stratford

Job title: Deputy Chief Constable

Signature:



Date: 16/02/2020

CHIEF EXECUTIVE APPROVAL

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

Signature:



Date: 16/02/20