



COMMUNITY JUSTICE SECURITY

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 0070**

**AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR FORENSIC SERVICES**

By the authority of the Police and Crime Commissioner as designated by the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, and, by democratic mandate invested in me by the electorate of Northamptonshire, I have taken the following decision:

To approve the award of a Regional Contract for Forensic Services to the East Midlands Region of Police Forces to Orchid Cellmark Ltd.

  
**Stephen MOLD**  
**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

**13<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

**Equality, Diversity and Human Rights**

The contract will comply with relevant legislative and regulatory requirements.

**Advice was taken from:**

1. The Chief Executive and the Director for Resources and Governance of the Office of the Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner;
2. The East Midlands Strategic Commercial Unit (EMSCU)

The relevant officer advice is set out in the attached report dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017, and the EMSCU Tender Award Recommendation Report dated 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016.

**END**





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## Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission

### Supporting Report to the Police and Crime Commissioner

<b>Date of Report</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
<b>Subject</b>	Award of a Contract for Forensic Services
<b>Report Author</b>	John Neilson

#### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval to the award of a contract to Orchid Cellmark Ltd. for Forensic Services.

#### 2. Decision Recommended:

That the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire formally approves the award of a contract to Orchid Cellmark Ltd. for Forensic Services.

#### 3. Consultation:

N/A

#### 4. Compliance Issues:

Is this a decision of 'significant public interest?'

Yes

Is the recommended decision consistent with the priorities set out in the approved Northamptonshire Police and Crime Plan

Yes

Is this decision proposing an amendment to the budget and/or the OPCC policy framework?

No

Will further decisions be required?

No

What, if any are the procurement implications related to this decision?

This decision is recommended on the basis of Procurement advice as set out in the attached Tender Award Recommendation Report.

Legal Implications

If approved the Commissioner will be entering into a legally binding contract.

Has an Equality Impact Assessment been undertaken?

N/A

Does the recommended decision represent the best value for money?

Yes

## **5 Relevant background / Chronology of Key Events:**

5.1 The attached Tender Award recommendation report sets out the relevant background.

5.2 In summary the key points are:

- The East Midlands Region requires a new contractual vehicle that delivers partnering approach for external forensic requirements, which procures capacity rather than a fixed number of cases or tests
- This was procured through a full OJEU procurement, over the period from June 2016
- The year one costs represent an 18% saving on current annual spend of £4.3m; the contract then provides for a further mix of cashable and efficiency savings in subsequent years.
- The contract period proposed will be effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 for a period of 7 years, with the ability to extend to 10 years in total.

**6 Evaluation of alternative option(s):**


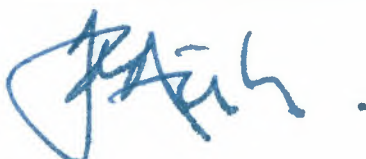
As noted in the Tender Award Recommendation Report a full OJEU process was undertaken.

**7 List of background reports used to compile this report:**

Tender Award Recommendation Report from EMSCU (attached)

**8 List of appendices accompanying this report (if any):**

N/A

<b>9 Signatures</b>		<b>Date</b>
Report Author John Neilson <b>Director for Resources and Governance</b>		13 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
Martin Scoble <b>Chief Executive</b>		13 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
John Neilson <b>Director for Resources and Governance</b>		13 <sup>th</sup> February 2017

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