OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HUMBERSIDE DECISION RECORD

Decision Record Number 47/2023

Title Stud Farm Kennels (Red Brook boarding) – Dog Kennel Contract

Executive Summary

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The Stud Farm Kennel with Red Brook Boarding LTD contract has been created in conjunction with the Humberside Police and Stud Farm. This will allow for all police dogs to have access to the kennels across the year for the allocated time each dog and dog handler has kennelling required as a part of their role. Appropriate kennelling is fundamental for the Force Dog section and is required for both the wellbeing of the Officer and that of the dog.

In making the decision to enter a lease with Sangreat Kennels a number of aspects have been considered. These include financial considerations which include both direct and indirect costs which incurred by the Force in the process of kenneling its dogs.

The service contract details are a term of 5 years at a cost of £47,000 per annum with a minimum of 18 months occupation, following which either party can terminate at any time giving six months' notice.

The decision record requests the signing of the service contract for the use of kennelling for 12 police dogs 365 days a year as per the Police Dog Handler agreement for kennelling.

Decision of the PCC Approved

Background Report: Open

There is no requirement for the contents of this Decision Record to be closed

Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct.

Any such interests are recorded below.

The above decision has my approval.

Signature Date 04/12/2023

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HUMBERSIDE

SUBMISSION FOR: DECISION

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2. Recommendation(s)

The signing of the service contract for the use of kennelling the police dogs will provide the kennelling required for police dogs as required for their role.

3. Background

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Further dog kennel options were looked at in the Humberside area. Dog Handlers need to be able to kennel the dogs within the force area due to drop off/pick up times and travel times. Enquiries made by Dog Handling team it is a very niche requirements for the kennelling of various style of Police Dog and not been able to be kennelled with domestic pets without a lot of restrictions and necessities in place. Enquiries were made with neighbouring forces to utilise their leased boarding kennels of owned kennels, but unfortunately the kennels do not allow additional police forces within their lease restrictions.

4. Options

- 1. Signing of the service contract to allow kennelling within force for the Police Dogs.
- 2. Do not sign the service contract and will incur a risk for the Force with no Kennelling facilities for the Police Dogs which is required a part of their role.

5. Financial Implications (Seek financial advice from Chief or Deputy Chief or Deputy Chief Finance Officer)

The Service Contract is for £47,000 per annum.

6. Legal Implications (Seek advice from Legal Services)

Humberside Police Legal Services are working in conjunction with West Yorkshire Police Legal advisor on a commercial basis. WYP are carrying out due diligence and advice on the contract.

7. Driver for Change/Contribution to Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan

The driver for the change is that Humberside police current kennelling is due to terminate.

8. Equalities Implications (Have due regard to the Public Section Equality Duty)

NA

9. Consultation

Consultation between Humberside Police, West Yorkshire Police Legal Services and Red Brook Boarding.

10. Media information (Seek advice from Head of Communications)

11. Background documents (This will be published if open)

Service contract.

12. Publication

Open

13. DPIA considered (Data Protection Officer will complete full checklist – see attached)

N/A