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SCRUTINY COMMENTS

Blue Light Campus and Collaboration Agreement

The Community and Public Safety Scrutiny Committee met on 01 March 2017 and considered a report concerning the Blue Light Campus and Collaboration Agreement. The Committee supported the recommendations set out in the report and agreed to pass on the following comments to the Executive:

- The Committee supported the combination of three Blue Light Services at one location at South Park and the proposed co-location of Lincolnshire Police and Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue Command & Control Centre at Nettleham.
- The Committee highlighted the proposed Collaboration Agreement and queried how a potential withdrawal by one of the key service partners from the project would be handled. Officers confirmed that the agreement would put in place an appropriate Governance arrangement and that suitable provision will be included to cover the potential for early withdrawal.
- A member of the Committee highlighted the updated cost estimate of £4.8m for the project. Officers confirmed that an additional £2.8m from the Capital Reserve had been approved by the Executive Director of Finance and Public Protection under delegated authority.
- A member of the Committee queried how the proposed £4.8m investment from Lincolnshire County Council could be justified at times of reducing budgets. Officers confirmed that the proposed investment would be capital expenditure, and not from the day to day revenue budget and would allow longer term revenue savings to be achieved.
- The Committee recommended that sustainable construction methods and energy efficiency be given consideration as part of the project. The Committee supported the use of solar panels and water recycling methods as part of the proposed new building on South Park.

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