PROJECT MANDATE

Project Title	LSN SSL Gateway Implementation
Project Description	To provide a central SSL gateway to allow for off-network access to LCCs new learning platform and other services on the LSN and corporate network.
Programme – Will this project be included as part of an existing programme, if so which?	Childrens Services Schools ICT Programme
Sponsoring Directorate	Childrens Services
Directorate Contact – Name of person submitting mandate	Serle Frazer
Project Sponsor – The person who will provide strategic direction to the project and the decision maker.	Debbie Barnes
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Is this mandate submitted to investigate viability of a project only	No
Business Critical Delivery Date	August 2010
Reasons the project needs to be delivered by this date	This project would need to have delivered for full implementation of the new learning platform.
What are the implications of this project not happening?	This project has a heavy dependency with the replacement of the LCC learning platform for schools. The SSL gateway will provide a stardised secure method of authentication onto the new learning platform and will provide a future basis for access to other resources on the LSN moving forward.
Project Background – What prompted the idea to undertake the project?	Lincolnshire county council is required to provide a learning platform for Lincolnshire schools to use. The current platform Assimilate is heavily integrated with the current NETLinc network and as such is impossible to separate the learning platform from the NETLinc network which is due to be decommissioned in 2010 due to the LSN now being complete. With this change there is a requirement to look at replacing Assimilate so that we can continue to provide a learning platform for our schools. As part of providing a new learning platform wee also need to provide a standard and secure method of schools being able to authenticate onto the LSN from off network. As part of Phase 11 Mouchel were commissioned to to provide a report detailing options for how to achieve this. This report has now been finalised and with the mandating of the LP replacement this project now needs to go ahead.
Project Objectives - What is the project aimed at achieving (the desired end result)?	The project objective is to take the recommendations from Mouchel report and to implement the SSL gateway in preparation for the new learning platform. Part of the requirement is that this gateway should also be

	able to provide authentication to corporate services that are a requirement to be available in schools (such as George)
Project Scope - What will the project include/consider?	Recommendation analysis from Mouchel SSL report Selection of appropriate technology Implementation of SSL gateway Identification of all ongoing support and costs and SLA definition
Exclusions – Is there anything that the project should NOT include/consider	Schools not on the LSN will be unable to make use of the SSL gateway.
Constraints – Are there any constraints or boundaries that have to be adhered to – e.g. legislation, government requirements, timescales?	This project must deliver in preparation for the new learning platform to be implemented. Without the gateway schools will have no access mechanism to the new learning platform.
Known Risks - Indicate any known risks which could affect the project	Proposals in the SSL report will not meet the requirement to be able to use schools current AD for authentication. Should this project deliver late it will jeopardise the time scale for the learning platform replacement.
Is User Acceptance testing required?	Yes
UAT requirement	The SSL gateway will need a portal entrance for schools that will need a degree of UAT, the extent is unknown at this point but the project team will liaise with the corporate UAT team once established.
Outline Business Case	
Is this a statutory requirement? **If yes, what is the requirement?**	Yes This project forms part of the core learning platform requirement. LCC are required to provide a learning platform, without the SSL gateway we will be unable to meet the off-network access requirement of that implementation. The off network access is a requirement for the parental reporting requirement for 2010 for all primary schools.
Does the project support the Council's e-Govt objectives? **If yes, how?**	No
Does the project support the Directorate service plan?	Yes
If yes, how?	This ties in with the requirement to provide a new learning platform and also the parental reporting agenda for 2010
Project Deliverables and Benefits *(tabular)*	
Deliverables (Tangible – e.g., documents, plans, system, etc. Non-tangible – e.g., customer satisfaction, decreased costs)	Recommendation analysis from Mouchel SSL report Selection of appropriate technology Implementation of SSL gateway Identification of all ongoing support and costs and SLA definition
Benefits *(tabular)*	Providing a central service for off network

	authentication will negate the need for each school to develop its own solution. This will cut down on costs and complexity. 1 centrally provided system will provide greater security that 400 individual implementations. Increasing use and access to ICT is a key council objective in the SCS Will enable Lincolnshire to meet its requirement to provide off network access to parents for reporting
How will the benefits/success be measured?	The benefits and successes will be owned and measured through the Childrens Services ICT Programme Board
Additional Supporting Information – Further relevant information to show the reasons why the project should be started - demonstrate the value the project brings to the organisation	
Links/Dependencies with Other Projects – Will this project affect/be affected by the delivery of other projects in the organisation?	Learning Platform Replacement Integris G2 Upgrade
Project Funding	
Initial Expenditure – Indicate any known costs at this stage and the budget where costs will be charged	800k from DSG
Ongoing Revenue Costs - Indicate known costs at this stage and the budget where costs will be charged	Unknown at this point but will be part of the annual variation agreement.
Is there external funding available for this project? **If yes, from where?**	No
Is this a netlinc project?	No
Who is the budget holder?	Jez Bailey
Has the budget holder agreed to this Project being funded?	Yes