

## **DECISION RECORD**

## **Decision Record Number 309**

This document records a decision taken by the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, together with details of the advice he received prior to taking the decision.

## **Decision taken**

Following a compliant procurement procedure the decision has been taken to award a contract for the provision of network switches for Northamptonshire Police and Northants Fire and Rescue Service to Softcat PLC. The procurement exercise was undertaken jointly on behalf of both services to ensure economies of scale, value for money and product consistency.

A network switch lets any connected devices (such as printers, computer and routers) talk together and share information. The Contract period shall be from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to 10 October 2024. The total value of the Contract is £538,616.68 ex VAT which includes both police and fire costs. The contract value for Northamptonshire Police is £485,931.24 ex VAT and the contract value for Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service is £79,685.44 ex VAT.

## Details of advice taken

Professional operational, financial and legal advice has been sought to ensure the decision best supports operational needs and represents value for money.

Stephen Mold

Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner

10<sup>th</sup> October 2022