



# AVON & SOMERSET

POLICE & CRIME  
COMMISSIONER

**PCC DECISION**

**REF 2024/008**

**Decision Title: Final Business Case – South West Forensics DFU**

**Decision summary:**

The PCC's Governance & Scrutiny Board approved a Final Business Case on 17/09/24 in support of the proposals to remodel the Data Forensics Unit (DFU) at Bristol KSH.

The Final Business Case relates to changes to Constabulary estate and therefore requires PCC approval.

**Background or reference to supporting papers:**

The PCC's Governance & Scrutiny Board approved Option 2 in the Final Business Case to model the South West Forensics Data Forensics Unit at Bristol Kenneth Steele House to create ISO accredited facilities for the regional South West Forensics Data Forensics Investigations.

The total project cost is factored into the Constabulary Capital Plan noting the application of a regional funding formula by Chief Finance Officers to ensure equitable cost allocation in support of this collaboration.

The construction period is expected to last 16 weeks, with the area due to open Q4 2024/25 (subject to vetting timelines for contractors). A preferred contractor to undertake the works following tender evaluation has been identified by the Constabulary working with the South West Policing Procurement Service.

The PCC's decision is supported by the evidence base provided by the Final Business Case.

**Avon and Somerset Police & Crime Commissioner**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any declarations of disclosable interest in this matter. Any such interests are disclosed.

*The above request has my approval.*

**Date 14/10/24**

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**Police & Crime Commissioner for Avon & Somerset**

**CFO Signatures**

**Date** 11/10/24

*(OCC CFO required if decision requested or presented for approval by Constabulary)*

*P.R. B...*

*N.J. Adams*

**PCC CFO**

**OCC CFO**

**Other relevant lead officer as required**

**Date** 14/10/24

*(e.g PCC CEO, COG lead)*

**Chief of Staff**

**Alice Ripley**

*Alice Ripley*

**Job title**

**name**

**signature**