

27 January 2020

Agenda Item: 5

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, FINANCE, INFRASTRUCTURE AND IMPROVEMENT

UPDATE REPORT ON THE REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS SMARTPHONES

Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of the report is to update Members on the rollout of replacement smartphones across the council.

Information

2. At the meeting of 25th November 2019, Members of the Improvement and Change Sub Committee received an update report on the rollout of new smartphones based on the android operating system and resolved to receive a further update report at the January 2020 meeting.
3. The November report laid out the approach to replacing Members smartphone devices and aspired to replace all devices prior to the Christmas 2019 break. Following the meeting, these plans were shared and refined with Members and further took into account the likely effect on Members time of a general election campaign.
4. This revised plan resulted in new devices being rolled out immediately following the general election in December 2019. The majority of Members did receive their new smartphones prior to the Christmas break with the remaining deployments scheduled for early January 2020. At the time of circulation, 45 Members have their new devices and 12 remain scheduled.
5. Work is continuing with colleagues in other local district and borough councils to provision dual access to council email services although all devices are able to access private email accounts alongside the services devilered by NCC. Testing has been successful with those councils able to provide access and as a community we are moving towards a consistent approach to the provision of these services.
6. Once the Member's rollout has been completed, resources will be reallocated to the replacement of the remaining staff devices. It is envisaged that this will be a rolling programme targeting priority users over the coming months and will be managed and reported on through existing reports.

Other Options Considered

7. This is an update paper and as such, no other options have been considered.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. The report is for information only.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

1) That Members of the Improvement and Change Sub Committee agree that no further reports on this subject need to be included in the work plan at this time.

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Constitutional Comments

Improvement and Change sub-Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of the report. LW 16/01/2020

Financial Comments

There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report. (KRP 16/01/20)

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All