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Award

CPA SPU 2495P £-Learning for Cyber Security Compliance

Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire

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Scope

Reference

CPA/SPU/2495P

Description

MetaCompliance Security Awareness Premium Plus helps raise awareness of cyber threats, reduce the risks associated with attacks, and embed a culture of security compliance via training courses.

MetaCompliance provides a world-class Security Awareness Training solution that helps to raise awareness of cyber security threats, reduce the risks associated with cyber-attacks, and embed a culture of security compliance in our organisation.

The ground for Direct Award is being made under option A : Are required to be compatible with an existing asset.

The software is installed on each machine, which is configured to ensure training and awareness does not interfere with the control room operators taking 999 calls, which is

key to the organisation. HR also use this platform and have their training materials delivered through MetaCompliance. Cheshire Fire have been using MetaCompliance since 2023. To change providers would require IT having to support two separate systems for HR/E-Security training.

The pushing out of the software is simple, but it's how the software interacts with the Forces' machines which is key. IT are able to delay the MetaCompliance software from interfering with machines in the control room, so it does not interfere with their ability to take 999 calls which is a key requirement for the Force. Should the Force not be able to do this, then the 999 call operators could be left facing a situation where they have to read and comply with a policy that has been sent out to their machine before they are able to begin accepting 999 calls. In an urgent situation this would not be acceptable.

Contract 1. CPA SPU 2495P E-Learning for Cyber Security Compliance

Supplier

<u>MetaCompliance</u>

Contract value

- £0 excluding VAT
- £0 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

15 April 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 26 October 2025 to 26 October 2028
- 3 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

• 72260000 - Software-related services

Contract locations

• UKD6 - Cheshire

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire

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