

# WEST MIDLANDS POLICE Force Policy Document

**POLICY TITLE:** 

**Asset Management Policy** 

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## **Executive Summary.**

In accordance with the HMG Security Policy Framework, West Midlands Police will ensure that all information assets, including all hardware and software, will be recorded, monitored and kept up to date in an asset inventory. This Policy document sets out the high level requirements for asset management in West Midlands Police.

## Intended Policy Audience.

This policy applies to every police officer, member of police staff, police community support officer, special constable, volunteer, contractor, and approved persons working for or on behalf of West Midlands Police.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Any enquiries in relation to this policy should be made directly with the policy contact / department shown below.

## **Supporting Documents**

- HMG Security Policy Framework (SPF);
- CESG IA Standards (IAS) and Good Practice Guides (GPG's);
- BS EN ISO27001 Information Technology
- Security Assessment for Protectively Marked Assets (SAPMA)
- WMP Local Threat Assessment
- Code of Ethics (http://www.college.police.uk/docs/Code\_of\_Ethics.pdf)

#### **Evidence Based Research**

Full supporting documentation and evidence of consultation in relation to this policy including that of any version changes for implementation and review, are held with the Force Policy Co-ordinator including that of the authorised original Command Team papers.

#### Please Note.

PRINTED VERSIONS SHOULD NOT BE RELIED UPON. THE MOST UPTO DATE VERSION OF ANY POLICY OR DIRECTIVE CAN BE FOUND ON THE EQUIP DATABASE ON THE INTRANET.

## **Force Diversity Vision Statement and Values**

"Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation. Advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations by embedding a culture of equality and respect that puts all of our communities, officers and staff at the heart of everything we do. Working together as one we will strive to make a difference to our service delivery by mainstreaming our organisational values"

"All members of the public and communities we serve, all police officers, special constables and police staff members shall receive equal and fair treatment regardless of, age, disability, sex, race, gender reassignment, religion/belief, sexual orientation, marriage/civil partnership and pregnancy/maternity. If you consider this policy could be improved for any of these groups please raise with the author of the policy without delay."

## **Code of Ethics**

West Midlands Police is committed to ensuring that the Code of Ethics is not simply another piece of paper, poster or laminate, but is at the heart of every policy, procedure, decision and action in policing.

The Code of Ethics is about self-awareness, ensuring that everyone in policing feels able to always do the right thing and is confident to challenge colleagues irrespective of their rank, role or position

Every single person working in West Midlands Police is expected to adopt and adhere to the principles and standards set out in the Code.

The main purpose of the Code of Ethics is to be a guide to "good" policing, not something to punish "poor" policing.

The Code describes nine principles and ten standards of behaviour that sets and defines the exemplary standards expected of everyone who works in policing.

Please see http://www.college.police.uk/docs/Code\_of\_Ethics.pdf for further details.

The policy contained in this document seeks to build upon the overarching principles within the Code to further support people in the organization to do the right thing.

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#### 1. ABBREVIATIONS.

**ACPO** Association of Chief Police Officers

**A/V** Anti-Virus

**ADS** Accreditation Document Set (i.e. RMADS Risk Management Accreditation Document Set)

**AO** Accounting Officer (Chief Constable)

**BC** Basic Check

**BCM** Business Continuity Management

**BCP** Business Continuity Plan

**BIA** Business Impact Analysis

**BS25999** Business Continuity Management - (BS 25999-1:2006) now ISO/IEC 22301:2012

**CESG** Communications-Electronics Security Group

**CTC** Counter Terrorism Check

**CPU** Central Processing Unit

**DPA** Data Protection Act 1998

**DTI** Department of Trade and Industry

**HMG** Her Majesty's Government

**IAO** Information Asset Owner

**ICM** Information Compliance Manager

InfoSec Information Security

**ISF** Information Security Forum

**ISM** Information Security Manager

**ISO** Information Security Officer (For the WMP Force)

**ISO 22301** International Standards for Business Continuity Management - Requirements (ISO22301:2012)

**ISO 27001** International Standard for Information Security Management System

- Requirements (ISO27002:2005 contains the Implementation Guidance and Code of Practice)

**IS** Information Systems

**ISP** Information Security Policy

**ISTU** Information Systems Training Unit

ITIL Information Technology Infrastructure Library

**LAN** Local Area Network

**NISCC** National Infrastructure Security Co-ordination Centre

**NPIRMT** National Police Information Risk Management Team

**PM** Protectively Marked

**RMADS** Risk Management Accreditation Document Set

**SC** Security Check

**SIRO** Senior Information Risk Owner

**SoA** Statement of Applicability

**SIIMN** Strategic Information and Intelligence Management Board

**SPF** HMG Security Policy Framework

**SyOPs** Security Operating Procedures

**SysOPs** System Security Operating Procedures

**System** Information System

**UNIRAS** Unified Incident Reporting and Alerting Scheme.

**UPS** Uninterruptible Power

WMP West Midlands Police

#### 2. TERMS AND DEFINITIONS.

**Asset** - An asset is something tangible or non-tangible which is of value to the organisation and needs to be protected, can be generally sub-divided into 'Primary Assets' and 'Supporting Assets'. **Primary Assets** are 'Processes' and 'Information Assets' used by, stored or communicated by the organisation. **Supporting Assets** are all other Hardware, Software, Networks, Utilities, Physical Premises, People and Organisational Structures that are present to make the use of the 'Primary Assets' possible;

**Availability** - Ensuring that authorised users have access to information and associated assets when required;

**Confidentiality** - Ensuring that information is accessible only to those authorised to have access:

**Identity and Access Management** - In information systems, identity management is the management of the identity life cycle of entities (subjects or objects);

**Information Asset** - An Information Asset is a definable piece of information, stored in any manner which is recognised as 'valuable' to the organisation;

**Information Security Policy** - The set of laws, rules and practices that regulate how assets, including sensitive information, are managed, protected and distributed;

**Integrity** - Safeguarding the accuracy and completeness of information and processing methods;

**Risk** - The likelihood of a threat occurring and being successful in exploiting vulnerability, and causing a breach of security;

**Security** - A combination of confidentiality, integrity and availability considerations;

**Evaluation** - The assessment of an IS system or product against defined criteria;

**Threat** - The likelihood that an attacker will attempt, and has the capability, to exploit a vulnerability to breach security; and

**Vulnerability** - A feature of a system, which, if exploited by an attacker, would enable the attacker to breach security.

#### 3. INTRODUCTION.

3.1. West Midlands Police heavily rely on information assets to serve customer, regulatory and other stakeholder needs. An effective policy and framework of controls, covering classification, protection, recording, retention, and storage is required to protect critical information assets against known threats and reduce the overall risk to organisational operations.

#### 4. ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY.

- 4.1. Formal documented standards and procedures should be in place for asset management that cover the following:
  - recording of hardware and software in an asset register
  - protecting the asset register and keeping it current
  - maintaining the accuracy of details in the register
  - the ability to perform regular checks of the asset register to identify, investigate and resolve any discrepancies with physical assets and software licenses
- 4.2. All assets MUST have an identification label (anti tamper). The Asset Register will capture important information about each asset, including:
  - a unique description of hardware and software in use
  - versions of hardware and software in use
  - the location of hardware and software in use
  - licensing details
  - Who the asset is assigned to and when
- 4.3. Asset registers must be protected against unauthorised changes, kept current, periodically reviewed and independently verified.
- 4.4. The controls framework should establish reliable mechanisms to identify discrepancies in the register, detect illegal use of software or licensing violations, and report equipment loss or theft.

## **Non-Conformance and Exceptions**

4.5. Non-conformance to this policy must be reported to the Force Information Security Officer. The Information Security Team must approve, track and report all exceptions to this policy in accordance with a formal documented process. The process should include a method for escalating significant exceptions that may breach a documented level of business risk tolerance to The Security & Information Management Board in accordance with established governance procedures for review and mitigation or formal risk acceptance

#### 5. UNDERPINNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

- 5.1. To support the overarching IA Risk Management policy the following policies will be maintained by the force
  - 1. Force Information Security Policy;
  - 2. Information Management Policy;
  - 3. Information Services Risk Register;
  - 4. West Midlands Police Risk Appetite Statement;

## 6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EQIA).

- 6.1. The policy has been reviewed and drafted against all protected characteristics in accordance with the Public Sector Equality Duty embodied in the Equality Act 2010. The policy has therefore been Equality Impact Assessed to show how WMP has evidenced 'due regard' to the need to:
  - Eliminate discrimination, harassment, and victimisation.
  - Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.
  - Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Supporting documentation in the form of an EQIA has been completed and is available for viewing in conjunction with this policy.

#### 7. HUMAN RIGHTS.

7.1. This policy has been implemented and reviewed in accordance with the European Convention and principles provided by the Human Rights Act 1998. The application of this policy has no differential impact on any of the articles within the Act. However, failure as to its implementation would impact on the core duties and values of WMP (and its partners), to uphold the law and serve/protect all members of its community (and beyond) from harm.

## 8. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI).

- 8.1. Public disclosure of this policy document is determined by the Force Policy Coordinator on agreement with its owner. Version 0.2 of this policy has been GPMS marked as Not Protectively Marked.
- 8.2. Public disclosure <u>does not</u> automatically apply to supporting Force policies, directives and associated guidance documents, and in all cases the necessary advice should be sought prior to disclosure to any one of these associated documents.

Which exemptions apply and to which section of the document?	Whole document	Section number

## 9. TRAINING.

9.1. This policy reflects best practice within ICT and IM and does not require a training element.

#### 10. PROMOTION / DISTRIBUTION & MARKETING.

- 10.1. The following methods will be adopted to ensure full knowledge of the Policy:
  - Newsbeat
  - Intranet
  - Posters
  - Policy Portal

#### 11. REVIEW.

- 11.1. The policy business owner Information Management, maintain outright ownership of the policy and any other associated documents and in-turn delegate responsibility to the department/unit responsible for its continued monitoring.
- 11.2. The policy should be considered a 'living document' and subject to regular review to reflect upon any Force, Home Office/ACPO, legislative changes, good practice (learning the lessons) both locally and nationally, etc.
- 11.3. A formal review of the policy document, including that of any other potential impacts i.e. EQIA, will be conducted by the date shown as indicated on the first page.
- 11.4. Any amendments to the policy will be conducted and evidenced through the Force Policy Co-ordinator and set out within the version control template.
- 11.5. Feedback is always welcomed by the author/owner and/or Force Policy Co-ordinator as to the content and layout of the policy document and any potential improvements.

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**CHIEF CONSTABLE** 

# 12. VERSION HISTORY.

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