

Surrey Police signs up for Kelvin Connect's cost-saving solutions

Kelvin Connect, an Airwave Group company, has secured the contract for an additional 500 users from Surrey Police to use Pronto – the world's first fully-functional electronic police notebook and information management solution.

Pronto is a comprehensive, flexible, mobile information solution that streamlines and transforms core police business processes, putting the front line first.

Documented case studies have proven the business case for Pronto, with Lothian & Borders who have been using the product for over four years and have reported combined cashable savings of over £600k p.a.

According to Nigel Rees, managing director of Kelvin Connect: "The roll out of Pronto across Surrey will build on the initial deployment and support the goal of delivering benefits to the Force both in terms of enhancing support to front line officers as well as realising significant cashable and non-cashable savings in the back and middle office through the streamlining of processes. This commitment is a reflection of the excellent shared approach to working with a true partnership between Kelvin Connect and Surrey Police."

Pronto is also being used as part of the NPIA's Electronic Witness & Signature Pilot Project in partnership with the Crown Prosecution Service and the first case using electronic witness statements was recently won by the Crown Prosecutor at Redhill Magistrates Court in Surrey.

Surrey Police has already rolled out Pronto to 380 of its officers, who are currently undergoing product training. The additional users mean that more than two thirds of their officers will be using Pronto.

"The officers are trained to use the Motorola ES400 handheld device, as well as the suite of software. The device enables users to search multiple databases simultaneously after entering

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the minimum mandatory search fields relating to a single nominal, vehicle or property item,” adds Nigel.

Surrey Police has signed for the comprehensive package which includes a fully-managed service, together with access to the entire Kelvin Connect process suite.

“The Information Systems Improvement Strategy (ISIS) programme within the NPIA is supporting the Criminal Justice system by piloting the use of technology, such as Kelvin Connect's Pronto, as part of the Evidential Witness Statement project. The aim is to prove that we can streamline the process and improve the experience for the witness or officer, while enhancing the authenticity of the digital evidence,” concludes Inspector Kevin McCarthy, electronic witness statement project manager, ISIS, NPIA.

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About Kelvin Connect

Kelvin Connect has been developing mobile information capture and management solutions for use by the police service for the past nine years. Our technologies have been specifically designed to overcome the complexities of viewing and capturing information in a mobile environment, and of entering information into a number of disparate IT systems, by replacing paper-based information processes to deliver paperless policing.

Through our long-standing relationships with the emergency services, we understand the need for police forces to manage, access, input and retrieve sensitive information securely – as well as their desire to do this on the front line in real time.

Kelvin Connect has used this knowledge and expertise to deliver a software solution that responds to this need.

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