



NEW TENDER

April 2025

Following the tender process **LINEV Systems UK Ltd** was awarded another Framework Contract to supply & support Body Scanning systems.

 *The supply of X-ray Torso Body Scanners - Find a Tender*



COMPASS SMART TR

JULY 2020 – MARCH 2024

From MoJ Security Investment Programme (SIP) available online

	Positive Scans Reported to Date	53,041
	Negative Scans Reported to Date	446,912
	Inconclusive Scans Reported to Date	19,079
	Total Scans Reported to Date	519,032

ORIGINAL TENDER

After an extensive investigation into the performance of systems from different suppliers in December 2019 a Framework Contract was awarded to **LINEV Systems UK Ltd**.

This contract involves the supply of systems over a period of 4 years with ongoing support for a minimum of 10 years.

Ministry of Justice

HM Prison and Probation Service

The Rt Hon Edward Argar MP

OVERVIEW

4 December 2023

New figures reveal more than 46,900 suspect items have been identified by the 75 high-tech X-ray body scanners installed in all closed adult male prisons since July 2020.

It demonstrates the effectiveness of the Government's £100m investment in prison security and new technology to cut violence, drug use and disruption on prison landings.

This toughened security will continue the crack down on criminal attempts to exploit smuggling routes that fuels violence, addiction, and crime behind bars.



— *Our clamp down to stop drugs, weapons, and phones from getting into prisons is working.*

The new tech we've brought in is making prisons safer for staff and ensuring prisoners focus on their rehab, so we continue to cut crime.



Edward Argar
Prisons and Probation Minister

RESULT

X-ray scanners across the prison estate have helped thwart thousands of attempts to smuggle illicit items behind bars, often via the bowels of prisoners. Items that have been uncovered include mobile phones, charging leads, tobacco, and drug packages.

The government's investment of up to £100 million in bolstered prison security measures has seen 95 prisons now equipped with next-generation trace detection equipment and 75 equipped with X-ray body scanners.

PROBLEM IDENTITY

Ministry of Justice

HM Prison and Probation Service

The Rt Hon Dominic Raab MP

15 January 2023

Beefed-up prison security captures record level of contraband.

New high-tech X-ray scanners thwart 28,000 attempts to smuggle contraband behind bars.

Game-changing X-ray body scanners have foiled more than 28,000 attempts to smuggle drugs, phones and weapons behind bars as the war on prison rule breakers picks up speed.

Over the last 2 years, more than 90 new advanced scanners have been installed in all closed male jails, producing high-resolution images of concealed contraband so staff can stop more dangerous items from getting in and causing havoc on prison landings.

This tough new security has captured and confiscated illegal contraband concealed on prisoners including mobile phones, vapes and improvised weapons.



— Our tough new security measures in prisons are putting prisoners back on the straight and narrow. Allied to our renewed drive to get prisoners off drugs for good, we are cutting crime and keeping the public safe.

Together these measures have kept mobile phones, drugs, and improvised weapons out of the hands of prisoners where they would fuel violence and disorder.

The government invested of up to £125 million in next-generation prison security measures since July 2020, 28,626 suspicious items were identified by new prison X-ray body scanners.



Dominic Raab

Deputy Prime Minister and Justice Secretary



Pictured from left at Maghaberry Prison: The Governor of Maghaberry Prison **David Savage** and Director General of the Northern Ireland Prison Service **Ronnie Armour** with the Compass SMART TR.

NORTHERN IRELAND PRISON SERVICE

New technology a 'game changer' against illegal contraband in prisons.

In March 2023, the Department of Justice for Northern Ireland installed LINEV Systems Body Scanners into 3 their prisons as part of their fight against the trafficking of illegal contraband.



— Some people in our prisons are determined to traffic contraband into our establishments, however we are equally determined to stop them. Our fight against illegal trafficking has taken a huge step forward with the introduction of X-Ray Body Scanners into Maghaberry, Magilligan and Hydebank.

This technology should be seen as a deterrent to those who wish to use their bodies to bring in drugs and other illegal items into our prisons.

This really has the potential to be a game changer in our efforts to thwart their efforts; it will assist in the detection and prosecution of offenders; and as a result, will make our prisons safer for our staff, partner agencies and the people in our care.



Ronnie Armour

Director General of the Northern Ireland Prison Service



— This technology was initially piloted in prisons in England and has recently been introduced in Scotland. Last year over one in ten scans in England and Wales highlighted the presence of contraband.

Experience elsewhere indicates that this technology will greatly assist prison officers in controlling the flow of drugs in our prisons. My message to anyone thinking of attempting to traffic contraband is simple – don't do it, we will find it



David Savage

The Governor of Maghaberry Prison

In a Northern Ireland Department of Justice article from February 2024 Justice Minister Naomi Long commented:

— Since their introduction in March last year, the X-Ray Body Scanners have had a major impact on stemming the flow of drugs and illegal substances coming into prisons. This helps to keep both staff and prisoners safer.