



## **PUBLICATION OF DECISION LIST NUMBER 8/16-17**

### **MUNICIPAL YEAR 2016/2017**

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| 1/8/16-17 | Director of Regeneration & Business Development | Wednesday 22nd June               | Part 1 & 2 (para 3) | Approval of Cemeteries ground maintenance contract extension | Key Decision KD 4318 | All            | Yes<br>Tues 21st June   | 1-2         |
|           |   |                                   |                     |  |                      |                |   |             |

## **DECISIONS**

For additional copies or further details please contact Claire Johnson (020 8379 4239), Governance Team.

## **CALL – IN UPDATE –**

Please note the following decision has been called in for review from the following list

**List No.5 Issued on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016 with a Call In date of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

Cabinet Key Decision – KD 4313 – The Councils revised approach to The Friends of Parks Groups

## LIST REFERENCE: 1/8/16-17

| SUBJECT TITLE OF THE REPORT   |                                  |   |   |  |  |                                 |   |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---------------------------------|---|
| APPROVAL OF CEMETERIES GROUND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT EXTENSION  |                                  |   |   |  |  |                                 |   |
| Part 1 or 2<br>(relevant<br>exempt<br>Paragraph)  | Wards<br>affected by<br>decision | Decision taken by                       | Date Decision<br>comes in to<br>effect  | Interest<br>declared in<br>respect of<br>the<br>Decision | Category of<br>decision<br>(i.e. Key, Non-<br>Key, Council,<br>Urgent) | Contact Details                 | Eligible for<br>Call-in & Date<br>to be called in<br>by |
| Part 1 & 2<br>(para 3)  | All                              | Director, Regeneration &<br>Environment | Wednesday<br>22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2016 | None   | Key Decision<br>KD 4318  | Peter Robinson<br>020 8379 1884 | Yes<br>Tuesday 21st<br>June 2016                        |
| DECISION  |                                  |   |   |  |  |                                 |   |
| <p><b>AGREED:</b> subject to no call-in being received, the following decision will come into effect on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016:</p> <p>That Ground Control Limited (formerly Vale Contract Services Limited) be awarded a two year contract extension. Further details are held in Part 2 of the report.</p>   |                                  |   |   |  |  |                                 |   |
| ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:   |                                  |   |   |  |  |                                 |   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To carry out a full tender process in accordance with CPRs and EU Procurement rules. This would be unlikely to provide any financial benefit as demonstrated by the RPI and analysis of Consortium Procurement Grounds Maintenance framework. The tender process would also require significant officer time and resource which is not currently available within the service and so would need to be provided externally or by reducing resource, and therefore outputs, from other areas.</li> <li>Cease providing the service. The Council would remain responsible for maintaining the cemeteries even if new burials did not take place. If new burials ceased then the costs of maintenance could not be offset by the income generated and would result in a significant financial pressure upon the Council.</li> <li>Bringing the service in house. This could be possible for some of the grounds maintenance areas of the contract however the burials work is highly specialised and is therefore best undertaken by suitably qualified contractors. Having all the work on site done by one contractor enables effective scheduling of tasks to prevent conflict and disruption to burials</li> </ol> |                                  |   |   |  |  |                                 |   |

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### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Extending the contract for two years provides the following benefits:

- Value for money for the Council (Further details are held in Part 2 of the report)
- Continued high quality services in a sensitive working environment
- Low risk of service failure
- Saving in procurement costs
- Continued service developments and improvement

### BACKGROUND:

Please note that a copy of the Part 1 report is available via the decision list link on the Council's democracy pages. As the Part 2 report contains exempt information it will not be available to the press or public.