

### **PUBLICATION OF DECISION LIST NUMBER 21/16-17**

## **MUNICIPAL YEAR 2016/2017**

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## **DECISIONS**

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## CALL - IN UPDATE -

Please note that no decisions have been called in for review since the publication of the last list.

#### **LIST REFERENCE: 1/21/16-17**

#### SUBJECT TITLE OF THE REPORT

CONFIRMATION OF THE EXTENSION OF ERNST & YOUNG FOR THE SUPPLY OF SERVICES TO SUPPORT THE DELIVERY, TRANSFORMATION AND LEADERSHIP OF A COUNCIL WIDE PROCUREMENT AND COMMISSIONING HUB

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by decision	Decision taken by	Date Decision comes in to effect	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call- in & Date to be called in by
Part 1 & 2 (Para 3)	All	Cabinet Member for Finance & Efficiency	Monday 29 August 2016	None	Key Decision KD 4358	Paul Kearsey 020 8379 1865	Friday 26 August 2016

#### **DECISION:**

**AGREED:** Subject to no Call-in being received, the following decision will come into effect on Monday 29 August 2016:

- 1. To note the Council's intention to exercise the "buffer period" option (as formerly approved under DAR dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 2016, recommendation 2.3) and further extend the existing Interim Contract with EY for a period of two months (from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016 inclusive) and approve the same.
- 2. To note that the value of the further extension of the Interim Contract and its construction is commercially sensitive until completion of the long term co-source arrangement, approved by Cabinet on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- 3. To approve the further interim contract extension to Ernst & Young. More details are set out in the Part 2 Report.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

- 1. An option considered was to not further extend the current Interim Contract and support the hub entirely in-house. However, given that this would remove the external support and leadership of the procurement and commission function that Cabinet have agreed should be in place, this was not appropriate, neither would it offer continuity to staff in terms of line management and professional support.
- 2. The option to move to full tender is being pursued and the Council has recently issued a full tender in pursuit of a long term co-management partner of the service. However due to negotiations, the full procurement process will not be complete before the current Interim Contract extension end-date of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016, and so is not available to the Council at this time.
- 3. The other option considered was to make direct award to another external provider. However, this would not be in line with the Council's standing orders or contract regulations and would not meet legal requirement and so has been discounted.

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Cabinet confirmed that it would be beneficial for all procurement and commissioning staff from across the Council to have worked alongside a delivery partner and to have benefited from the associated skills transfer within such an arrangement, before any recruitment and selection process to posts within the new hub is undertaken. It is important from both a staff development perspective and the need for consistent high quality procurement advice to be available to support the Council, not least in the procurement of contracts that related to statutory safeguarding duties, that this arrangement is continued until a long term contractual award is made.

#### **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.