

## **PUBLICATION OF DECISION LIST NUMBER 40/21-22**

#### **MUNICIPAL YEAR 2021/22**

Date Published: 17 December 2021

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1/40/21 -22	Fay Hammond (Executive Director Resources)	Friday 31 December 2021	Part 1 & 2 (para 3)	Award of Mobile Voice and Data Contract	KD 5069	All	Thursday 30 December 2021	1-2

# **DECISIONS**

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#### **LIST REFERENCE: 1/40/21-22**

SUBJECT TITLE OF THE REPORT:												
AWARD OF MOBILE VOICE AND DATA CONTRACT												
Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by decision	Decision taken by	Date Decision comes into 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 &	All	Fay Hammond	Friday 31	N/A	KD 5069	Fay Hammond	Thursday 30					
Part 2		(Executive	December			Executive Director - Resources	December					
(para 3)		Director	2021			Fay.hammond@enfield.gov.uk	2021					

### **DECISION**

To award a new 3 year Mobile Voice and Data Contract to LGfL under Regulation 12 (1) PCR 2015. Based on a current monthly spend, this would equate to a saving of £508,752 over the 3 years.

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### **OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The Council requires a contract for voice and data services to control its costs. There are only two options available a reliance on a pay as you go charging which it has currently used and proves to be substantially more expensive that a contract.

### **REASONS FOR PROPOSAL**

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- 1. The Council currently purchases mobile voice and data services on a pay as you go basis which does not represent value for money because costs are higher per connection compared to contract, they also fluctuate based on voice and data usage and closing connections can incur a termination fee.
- 2. The Council's Digital Strategy will introduce further use of smart devices across the Council which will require increasing access to mobile data usage. This has been accelerated by the pandemic and the 500% increase in remote working where users rely on wireless and mobile connectivity to our network. The previous mobile voice and data contracts were based on individual monthly charging for all services, making it difficult to control data usage costs.
- 3. The proposed new contract will be procured via award to LGfL under the Regulation 12(1) PCR 2015 exemption. The deal is structured in the following way: LGfL will be the primary contracting party with the London Borough of Enfield. Virgin Media will be a sub-contractor to LGfL, and EE will be a sub-contractor to Virgin Media.
- 4. The contract LGfL have with Virgin Media runs until 2028. Built into this contract are 3 yearly reviews where all costs are reviewed to ensure that we are getting VFM. In addition to this we also regularly benchmark costs when introducing new products and services.
- 5. The new contract provides value for money by enabling reduction in connections without termination costs and it complements changing demand for mobile data use as staff move between the improved wireless network and mobile connectivity. This is a key

- deliverable of the seamless connectivity aspect of the Council's Infrastructure Programme allowing staff to work flexibly, using different devices (e.g. phones, tablet and laptops).
- 6. Under the new contract 4,476 connections will be delivered, based on the current number of devices (sims). These will be moved across into the new contract and converted to a fixed data and voice cost model. This means that phone numbers are retained, but each connection reduces in price compared to now and any connections not in use can be turned off. This enables the Council to achieve reduced cost per connection and prevent fluctuations in monthly costs.
- 7. The new contract will also undertake administrative services to monitor usage of SIMS, identify those that can be closed and undertake the closure of the SIM. This will ensure that no further SIMS are procured and that the number of SIMs reduces over the lifetime of the contract.
- 8. This report seeks approval to award a 3-year contract for the voice and data services for 4,476 mobile numbers (SIMs) to be charged on a standard monthly tariff for voice services and access to a single data bundle for the Council. These will compatible with the Council's current and future smart mobile devices including mobile phones, tablets and laptops.

Please note that a copy of the Part 1 report is available on the Council's democracy pages. As the part 2 appendix contains exempt information it will not be available to press and public.

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