

NOTICE

In accordance with paragraph 13.11 of the Council's Constitution, the Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Chief Executive is satisfied that a matter of urgency has arisen in connection with the work of the Cabinet and requires a decision before the next regular meeting of Cabinet. In such circumstances the Leader of the Council is authorised to take the Key Decision.

SPECIAL URGENCY PROVISION NOTICE

On 2nd June 2023, the Council published its Decision Planner, which included the intention to take the decision relating to the Award of Contracts for Vehicle Replacements (2023/24).

The Council has a number of commercial vehicles, which are due to come to the end of their serviceable life, are no longer fit for purpose and are expensive to maintain. Accordingly, the Council commenced a procurement exercise via a number of Frameworks. Initially tenders were received in September 2023 for the first 13 vehicles which included Compact/Truck Mounted Sweepers and RCVs. Since that time, the Council has been informed that the suppliers would not be prepared to hold their prices until the contracts could be awarded following the consideration by Cabinet.

Suppliers have indicated that there would be a 3% increase on their tendered price. If the Council delayed the decision until the conclusion of all active procurement exercises for all proposed replacement commercial vehicles, with a combined report being taken to Cabinet, this would result in the Council incurring a price increase in the initial award of approximately £72k for the first wave of 13 commercial vehicles.

In accordance with paragraph 15.17 (Special Urgency relating to key Decisions), the Chairman of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee, having considered the matter, is in agreement that the taking of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Accordingly, Notice is given that, in accordance with the Council's Constitution, Councillor Graham Butland, Leader of the Council, will be taking the Key Decision.

A report will be taken to the next available meeting of Council, namely 11 December 2023, setting out the particulars of the decisions taken, and a summary of the matters in respect of that decision.

Kim Mayo

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17 November 2023