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# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

TRANSPORT TERM CONTRACT

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

JIM MAYOR

SUBJECT:

AUTHOR:

THE DECISION

1. That the Director of Environment be given delegated authority to approve appointment of consultants identified through the Transport Term Consultancy tender process.

# **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1. Because the value of works awarded through the consultancy agreement has potential to exceed £500,000, Cabinet Member approval is required to appoint the consultants.
- 2. The Cabinet Member will not have an opportunity to approve appointment of consultants until after the existing PBA contract has expired. If the Cabinet Member gives the Director of Environment delegated authority to approve the appointments, the new agreement can begin as soon as the existing arrangement ends, offering the council constant access to services it may wish to draw on.

# DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 1. The alternative to a term contract is multiple single commissions as and when consultant support is required. However this approach would not offer value for money offered by consistency of approach. Also more internal resource would be required to manage what could be many individual tender processes.
- 2. A framework contract is preferable to an agreement with a single consultant as this retains the benefits associated with a consistent approach whilst offering the council greater choice and therefore flexibility and assurance of value for money.

# OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

# CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The decision-maker(s) did not declare a personal or prejudicial interest in the matters set out in the report.

# CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision

Date:

# **Decision Maker:**

04 July 2008

Councillor Geoffrey Theobald Cabinet Member for Environment **Signed:** 

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**Proper Officer:** 

04 July 2008

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services **Signed:** 

# SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny 'Call-In' provisions.

Call-In Period 7-11 July 2008

Date of Call-in (if applicable) (this suspends implementation)

Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (*if applicable*)

Results of Call-in (if applicable)