



DECISION RECORD

Gloucester City Council

Publication Date 14 January 2021

Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	13 January 2021	Item No.	7
Title	Vulnerable Women with Complex Needs Project Update and Contract Extension		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Jennie Watkins)		
Report Author	Anne Brinkhoff, Corporate Director		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No
DECISION: RESOLVED that: (1) the success and impact of this co-commissioned project be noted (2) a contract extension with the County Council of 12 months be approved.			
REASON FOR DECISION: To benefit a cohort of vulnerable women with complex needs in Gloucester, and approve a 12 months contract extension funded from existing budgets.			
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: Terminate the contract and cease this work – there is a high risk that some of the cohort will disengage or any positive progress made during the past two years will be lost as individuals revert back to past behaviour patterns.			
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION: None			
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted): None			
SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable): This decision will come into force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of the publication of the decision. Call-in Deadline: 21 January 2021			

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

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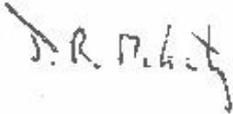
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Item No.

8

Title

Report on Cycle Provision in Gloucester

Report Of

Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Richard Cook)

Report Author

Meyrick Brentnall, Climate Change and Environment Manager

Wards Affected

All Wards

Key Decision

No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that the report be noted and forwarded on to the County Council as the relevant Highway Authority.

REASON FOR DECISION:

Cycling is an active, environmentally benign means of getting around Gloucester. Improving cycle infrastructure will improve health, reduce local pollutants/greenhouse gas emissions and lead to reduced congestion.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

Do nothing, which at best will mean no increase in cycling within the city and may actually lead to less cycle mileage being achieved.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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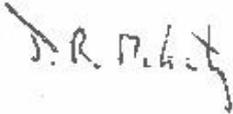
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	13 January 2021	Item No.	9
Title	Revenues and Benefits Contract		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Jon Topping, Head of Policy and Resources		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	Yes

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) a new contract be awarded to Civica UK Ltd for provision of Revenues & Benefits Managed services via the Kingston Upon Hull City Council Framework for a period of 5 years with the option of two further extensions of 1 year each
- (2) the Head of Policy & Resources be authorised (in consultation with the Cabinet Member Performance & Resources and the Council Solicitor) to take such actions and make such arrangements as are necessary for the implementation of the above recommendation including such legal processes, agreements and benchmarking as are necessary.

REASON FOR DECISION:

Civica has been a trusted partner of the Council since 2011 delivering savings to the Council during this period as well as providing key services to residents and businesses alike.

The award of this contract will deliver savings in line with the Money Plan while also continuing to provide quality service.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

Discussed in the body of the report.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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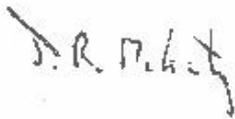
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Item No.

10

Title

Kings Quarter Delivery Proposal

Report Of

Leader of the Council (Councillor Richard Cook)

Report Author

Ian Edwards, Head of Place

Wards Affected

Westgate

Key Decision

Yes

DECISION:

RECOMMENDED to Council that:

- (1) the Head of Place in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Environment, the Head of Policy and Resources and the Council Solicitor is authorised to enter into a Development Agreement with our partner to implement the construction and development of Kings Quarter The Forum in its entirety at an estimated total cost to the Council of £107m, to create a high quality mixed use hub, packed with community features aimed at attracting new companies to Gloucester, based on the latest proposal outlined in this report
- (2) authority be delegated to the Head of Place in consultation with the Council Solicitor to take all necessary steps and undertake necessary procedures, including entering into any legal arrangements or other documentation as may be required to implement or facilitate the Kings Quarter The Forum Redevelopment Scheme
- (3) the estimated total cost be incorporated into the council's Capital Programme and Treasury Management Strategy.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The proposal offered has the potential to provide a high quality and rapid opportunity for the Council to see its regeneration aspirations for Kings Quarter realised. It would potentially create employment space for over 1,000 new employees, which could equate to £102m injected into the local economy each year. Being able to secure that number of new workers into the city centre would not only boost the local spend, but the

provision of the 18-hour facilities proposed would extend that spending window from presently only working hours, into the evening and night-time economy.

Considerable recent negotiations have taken place both to improve the viability and reduce the risks for this scheme thereby strengthening the city council's position with regard to defining the viability within the Development Agreement. At the same time the changes have underlined that the joint venture arrangement accords with market sentiment and practice for such a significant investment.

Officers believe the proposal put forward by the joint venture party is a practical and expedient way forward and recommend that approval is given to enter into the Development Agreement to deliver the proposition at an early date. Extensive due diligence has been undertaken by our external consultants in conjunction with our Head of Policy and Resources, the Head of Place and our Regeneration Consultant to evaluate and negotiate the financial appraisal. Legal opinion has been provided by Trowers & Hamlins for procurement, state aid and to advise on the Development Agreement. The intention is to continue refining the viability and the financial returns and ultimately sign a binding legal agreement for all the phases of this regeneration scheme.

Cabinet have previously approved the in principle use of seeking a Compulsory Purchase Order to ensure "clean" title should negotiations fail to acquire the remaining small land holdings in plots 3c and 3d. Such a CPO will also be available to extinguish any rights that we may not know exist but become apparent during this development.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The Council Officers have reviewed alternative options to bring forward the redevelopment of Kings Quarter. The options include:

- Solely utilising Public Works Loan Board funding and managing the redevelopment of the site in house using procured contractors for each separate phase.
- Advertising for a development partner and seeking expressions of interest.
- Selling the site on a plot by plot basis with planning consent.

There are several disadvantages with each of the reviewed options such as: insufficient internal resources and experience, inability to maintain control over an important council regeneration asset, and significant delay in achieving activity on site at a time when action is required to commence building.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

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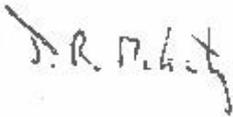
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CALL-IN PROCEDURE

Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances, such as where Members have evidence which suggests that the Cabinet did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 13 (Decision Making) of the Council's Constitution.

Call-in of a decision must be requested within five working days of the publication of an executive decision. The request must be communicated in writing to the Corporate Director of Resources by at least five Members of the Council.

Implementation of a decision that has been called-in is suspended until such time as it has been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and re-considered by the Cabinet in light of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and any recommendations.

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