

Operational Officer Decision Record

Where the decision has a financial value of between £100k - £350k and does not have a **significant** impact on two or more wards

1. Subject and details of the matter (to include reasons for the decision and detail of any previous cabinet decision)

Approval is sort to award one contract for the purchase of two 7,500kg Low Level Rear End Loading Compaction RCVs.

The following desirables are also to be included on both RCVs:

Programmable safety reversing radar system

4 way 'live' camera system

Driver identification system

Total whole life value of the contract (including desirables) is £211,820

The maximum duration of the contract is 22 months.

(Officer Decision Record dated 21st July 2021) Approval was given by the Executive Director Environment, Economy and Resources to commence the procurement process for two 7,500kg Low Level Rear End Loading Compaction RCVs in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport.

An exception to access the YPO Specialist Vehicles (960) Framework, Lot 1 Purchase of Refuse Collection Vehicles was approved.

A further competition was run under the YPO Specialist Vehicles (960) Framework, Lot 1 Purchase of Refuse Collection Vehicles.

Following the conclusion of the evaluation process, the Most Economically Advantageous Tenderer has been identified as NTM-GB Ltd.

2. Decision being taken

That the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport approves the purchase the two 7,500kg Low Level Rear End Loading Compaction RCVs and the purchase of the following desirable requirements for both RCVs:

Programmable safety reversing radar system

4 way 'live' camera system

Driver identification system

The decision will authorise awarding one contract for the purchase the two 7,500kg Low Level Rear End Loading Compaction RCVs with the above-mentioned desirable requirements to NTM-GB Ltd.

3. Anticipated outcome(s)/benefits

The contract for the purchase the two 7,500kg Low Level Rear End Loading Compaction RCVs with the above-mentioned desirable requirements is awarded to NTM-GB Ltd.

4. Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer when making the decision

Do nothing and not award the contract is an option. This is not felt to be feasible, as there is a continuous need to improve fleet efficiency across all areas and fleet is evaluated each year and only replaced on a need basis when the item has come to the end of its life and is no longer cost effective to keep and maintain. To not award the contract would not improve the cleanliness of the Council's fleet and would impact on our commitment to reduce our environmental impact.

NTM-GB Ltd have been identified as the Most Economically Advantageous Tenderer and so there is no reason to not award.

Long Term Leasing

- Indicative 7 year life span costs for rental of a basic RCV would be approximately £327,000 not including R&M.
- This is approximately £110 -130,000 more than the cost of outright purchase and does not provide value for money.
- Leasing companies also impose onerous return conditions on vehicles.
- There would also be additional costs for purchase of equipment such as four way cameras to bring leased vehicles up to spec.

Therefore, the option to lease vehicles is not considered to represent value for money.

5. Background documents considered (web link to be included or copies of documents for publishing)

ODR dated 21st July 2021.

6. Does the taking of the decision include consideration of Exempt information? If yes, specify the relevant paragraph of Schedule 12A and the reasons

No.

7. Details of any conflict of interest declared by any Cabinet Member who was consulted by the officer which relates to the decision (in respect of any declared conflict of interest, please provide a note of dispensation granted by the Council's Chief Executive)

No conflicts of interest have been identified.

8. Monitoring Officer Comments (Monitoring Officer or nominee)

The procurement exercise has been conducted so as to comply with the Council's policy and legal obligations, specifically in compliance with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules and the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, and supported by relevant officers.

9. Section 151 Officer Comments (Deputy S151 Officer or nominee)

The cost of the vehicle purchases will be met from within the Fleet Replacement Programme approved capital budget.

10. Human Resource Comments (Head of People and Culture or nominee)

There are no direct HR implications

11. Risk Assessment (in accordance with the Report Writing Guide)

If the purchase of the 2 RCVs is not approved, then there is a significant risk of the current revenue budgets being affected due to increased costs of repairing and maintaining our aging fleet. There is also a significant risk to the Council Operators Licence which has strict guidelines on the upkeep and maintenance of our heavy goods vehicles.

12. If the decision links to a previous one taken by Cabinet, has the Cabinet Tracker been updated?

No, the decision is linked to a previous Officer Decision Record.

13. Decision Maker(s): Name: Sharon Wroot

Title: Executive Director Environment,

Economy and Resources

Signed: REDACTED

Dated: 25.08.21

14. Consultation carried out with Portfolio Holder(s):

Name: Cllr Stewart Swinburn

Title: Portfolio Holder for Environment

and Transport

Signed: REDACTED

Dated: 25.08.21