

DECISION UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Subject	Appointment of agency to provide communications support
Officer Requesting Decision	Matthew Deaves
Officer Making the Decision	Thomas Griffiths
Authority for Decision	2.4 (d) Manage their services in accordance with the council's policies, practices and procedures, including Local Conditions of Service, within the approved budget for each service. 2.5 (b) Take any action to maintain the operation and effectiveness of services within their remit.
Recommendation	To appoint the recommended agency to provide communications support
Alternatives considered and rejected	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Appoint an alternative agencies/organisation. Others were considered but were less suitable. 2) Continue without providing support to the Communications team. Due to the nature of the services required this option will not best serve the interests of the authority.
Decision	To appoint the recommended agency and complete the draft form of engagement
Reason	A matter has arisen that requires strategic and operational support be provided to the Communications team and council spokespeople on a call-off basis. The service provided will enable the team and spokespeople to prepare for a range of scenarios and enable them to best represent the authority should the need arise.
Date	16 January 2025

Background Papers	None
Decision record kept until	
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Signed..........

Dated.....16 01 2025.....