

DECISION UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Subject	MPLS, WAN/LAN Organisational Network and connectivity contract, including internet provision and telecoms connectivity.
Officer Requesting Decision	IT & Digital Services Manager
Officer Making the Decision	Chief Officer Digital & Communications
Authority for Decision	Council Constitution-Scheme of Delegations - Each Chief Officer is authorised under Part 2B 2.5(b) to take any action to maintain the operation and effectiveness of services within their remit.
Recommendation	To proceed with the procurement of the organisational contract under the direct award framework RM3808 for a period of 12 months. Ensuring we are procurement compliant whilst further market evaluation and proposal works continue.
Alternatives considered and rejected	A full market review including proposals from other vendors and network providers was considered and is and will be undertaken. However, there is a need to update and ensure we are compliant, so a short term 12 contract has been agreed.
Decision	Approve
Reason	The market review and proposals gathering exercise will take a significant amount of time. As this contract provides the organisation with its network infrastructure connectivity requirements it is essential.
Date	30/09/22
Background Papers	Not Required
Decision record kept until	30th September 2026
Background papers kept until	N/A

Signed.....

Dated.....30/09/22.....