

Report to the Cabinet Meeting to be held on Thursday, 6 April 2023

Report of the Director of Finance

Part I

Electoral Division affected: (All Divisions);

Corporate Priorities: Delivering better services;

Procurement Report

(Appendix 'A' refers)

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Brief Summary

In line with the county council's procurement rules, this report sets out a recommendation to approve the commencement of the following procurement exercises:

- (i) Supply and distribution arrangements: Bread, fresh meats and soft drinks
- (ii) IT security outsourcing
- (iii) Cleaning and facilities services
- (iv) Fuel cards and associated services

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and the requirements of Standing Order C19 have been complied with.

Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to approve the commencement of the procurement exercises as set out in Appendix 'A'.

Detail

Appendix 'A' sets out the detail of the procurement exercises and the basis upon which it is proposed to carry out the process including:

- The description of the service
- The procurement route proposed
- The estimated contract value
- The proposed basis for the evaluation of the tender submissions which are agreed with the respective service area. This is specific to the services or goods being procured taking into account a number of factors including market conditions, national accredited standards for example.

Where approval has been received from Cabinet to undertake a tender process which is deemed to be a Key Decision, the subsequent award of the contract on the satisfactory completion of the tender exercise shall not be deemed to be a Key Decision and can be approved by the relevant head of service or director.

On conclusion of the procurement exercise, the award of the contract shall be made under the county council's scheme of delegation to heads of service and in accordance with the council's procurement rules.

Consultations

Relevant heads of service and key operational staff have been consulted in drawing up the proposals to undertake the procurement exercise included within this report.

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Financial Implications

The estimated value of the contracts will be contained within the funding arrangements as set out in Appendix 'A'. If significant variations should result from this position a further report to Cabinet will be required.

List of Background Papers

Paper

Date

Contact/Tel

None

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A