

Bolsover District Council

Executive

2nd November 2015

Central Control Procurement

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing and IT

This report is public

Purpose of the Report

- To allow the JAD Community Safety and Head of Housing to negotiate with contractors for the supply of alarm monitoring equipment.
- This is an urgent issue, and has been caused by Derbyshire County Councils very late withdrawal of funding, and the need to replace the alarm monitoring equipment as soon as practicable.

1 Report Details

- 1.1 On 7th September 2015 Executive considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Housing and IT regarding the progress of a project between the Council, together with CBC and SDDC and DCC, to provide an alarm monitoring service.
- 1.2 This report included an assessment of a tender to provide the equipment for alarm monitoring that had been procured through the Northern Housing Consortium Framework. And the JAD Community Safety and Head of Housing was given delegated powers to enter into a contract with the preferred supplier, however this was conditional on an agreement with DCC being finalised.
- 1.3 More recently DCC have withdrawn their offer of funding a long term contract, and have reduced the amount offered. Cabinet have agreed that this makes the proposed new business unviable and the Council should go it alone and continue to offer the service through central control
- 1.4 However, with this option, there is still the need for the equipment to be updated. This decision is urgent, as the current system in Central Control is currently the oldest operational system in the country and increasingly difficult to maintain. The late withdrawal by DCC was unexpected, and not foreseen by Officers who had been negotiating for several years.
- 1.5 Members are therefore asked to rescind the decision of 7th September and instead give the JAD for Community Safety and Head of Housing, in consultation with the

Portfolio Holder for Housing and IT to negotiate with the preferred supplier for a solution that meets that needs of the Council and enter into a contract for this.

2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation

2.1 The existing equipment is at the end of its operational life, and the previous decision by members did not envisage the developments arising from the fundamental changes made by DCC

3 Consultation and Equality Impact

3.1 None directly

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 None

5 Implications

5.1 Finance and Risk Implications

As covered in the report of 7th September

5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection

None

5.3 Human Resources Implications

None

6 Recommendations

6.1 That the Assistant Director - Community Safety and Head of Housing is given delegated powers, to enter into negotiation with the preferred supplier to ensure the system offered meets the needs of BDC

6.2 That conditional on 6.1 being satisfied and following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing and IT, the Assistant Director - Community Safety and Head of Housing is given delegated powers to enter into a contract with the preferred supplier.

7 Decision Information

Is the decision a Key Decision? (A Key Decision is one which results in income or expenditure to	No The decision of 7 th September was a
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the Council of £50,000 or more or which has a significant impact on two or more District wards)	key decision. This decision will not incur additional expenditure over £50,000
District Wards Affected	All
Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework	

8 Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)	
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Report Reference –