



Subject:	Contracts Update
Date:	21 August 2026
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Yes

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No

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If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?

After Committee Decision
After Council Decision
Sometime in the future
Never

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Call-in

Is the decision eligible for Call-in?

Yes

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No

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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
	The purpose of this report is to: • Seek approval from members for tenders, contract modifications to contract term and Single Tender Actions (STA) over £30,000

2.0	Recommendations
	The Committee is asked to: • Approve the public advertisement of tenders as per Standing Order 37a detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 1) • Approve the award of STAs in line with Standing Order 55 exceptions as detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 2) • Note the award of retrospective STAs in line with Standing Order 55 exceptions as detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 3) • Approve the modification of the contract as per Standing Order 37a detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 4) • Approve Contracts awarded by Arc 21 on behalf of the Council (Table 5) • Note the non-procurement expenditure (Table 6)
3.0	Competitive Tenders
	Section 2.5 of the Scheme of Delegation states Chief Officers have delegated authority to authorise a contract for the procurement of goods, services or works over the statutory limit of £30,000 following a tender exercise where the council has approved the invitation to tender. Standing Order 60(a) states any contract that exceeds the statutory amount (currently £30,000) shall be made under the Corporate Seal. Under Standing Order 51(b) the Corporate Seal can only be affixed when there is a resolution of the Council. Standing Order 54 states that every contract shall comply with the relevant requirements of national and European legislation. The Committee is asked to approve the public advertisement of tenders as per Standing Order 37a detailed in Appendix 1 (Table 1).
4.0	Single Tender Actions (STAs)
	The Council's current Single Tender Action (STA) process, which has been in place since 2020, provides assurance that the Council continues to comply with its obligations under the Procurement Act 2023 'the Act' and internal governance arrangements including required controls and approvals. It mirrors the Act setting out the exceptional and specific circumstances when a STA can be used (see STA/ Direct Award Reasons Table in Appendix 1). To support Officers understanding and to build capability, CPS offer support training and guidance on the STA process.

	In line with Standing Order 55 the Committee is asked to approve the award of the STAs in Appendix 1 (Table 2). In line with Standing Order 55 the Committee is asked to note the award of the retrospective STAs Appendix 1 (Table 3).
5.0	Modification to Contract
	The Committee is asked to approve the following modification of the contract as per Standing Order 37a as set out in Appendix 1 (Table 4) .
6.0	Arc 21 Contracts
	The Committee is asked to approve an extension to a current Arc 21 contract as per Standing Order 37a as set out in Appendix 1 (Table 5) .
7.0	Non-procurement expenditure
	The Procurement Act 2023 ‘the Act’ – Schedule 2 Exempted Contracts Schedule 2 of the Act sets out a specific list of types of contracts that are exempted under the Act. Further details on this non-procurement expenditure is set out in Appendix 1 (Table 6).
8.0	Renewal of existing Council Contract
	Provision of Property Details Surveys to Land and Property Services Members are asked to note that the Council has provided a service to Land and Property Services (LPS) for over 20 years, in respect of carrying out property details surveys. The Council carries out these surveys on behalf of LPS, for buildings being inspected for Building Regulation compliance, as a means of streamlining the valuation process. LPS have requested that the contract for this service is renewed, effective from 1st April 2026, with modifications as outlined below, for a further term of 2 years, with the option to extend for 2 periods of 12 months. In this renewed contract the Council will only provide surveys for all new domestic and new commercial properties. Council will continue to make LPS aware of works to altered properties and LPS will carry out the required valuation. The service will continue to be provided on a cost recovery basis. Legal Services have been consulted and have approved the contract. Members are asked to agree to this renewal.
6.0	Tender pipeline
	To support transparency and assist supplier planning, Members should note that Future Tendering Opportunities are published bi-annually on the Councils website. The current

	update Tendering opportunities covers future tendering opportunities up to 31st October 2027. Note: CPS consult with Departments to help populate this procurement pipeline and are reliant on Departments sharing their available procurement plans.
7.0	Financial & Resource Implications
	The financial resources for these contracts are within approved corporate or departmental budgets.
8.0	Equality or Good Relations Implications / Rural Needs Assessment
	None
9.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 • Table 1 - Competitive Tenders • Table 2 - Single Tender Actions • Table 4 - Retrospective Single Tender Actions • Table 4 - Modification to Contract • Table 5 - Retrospective Single Tender Actions • Table 6 - Non-procurement expenditure