

COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Explanatory Note

The Leader of the Council has established Delegation Schemes by which certain decisions may be made by the relevant cabinet member or specific officers.

Cabinet member decisions are subject to review under the Call-in Procedure.

From the date the notice of the decision made is published there are five working days during which any five Councillors may sign a request for the decision to be reviewed (called in) and deliver it to the Proper Officer.

If, at the end of the period, no request has been made, the decision may be implemented. If a valid call- in request has been made, the matter will be referred to the Scrutiny Panel

Part A – To be completed by the appropriate Cabinet Member/Officer

Title of Report

Award of contract for the purchase of one Refuse Collection Vehicle

Delegated Power

Authority delegated to the Portfolio Holder for Waste, Environment and Transportation through the Scheme of Delegation

Decision Taken

1. To agree to proceed with the procurement of one 50/50 refuse collection vehicle.
2. To accept the proposal submitted by Dennis Eagle for the supply of one 50/50 refuse collection vehicle.

Key Decision

N/A

Forward Plan

N/A

Reasons for the Decision

1. The bid received from Dennis Eagle was compliant with the Council requirements and enables the Council to continue the relationship, ensuring consistency in the existing refuse collection vehicles (RCVs) fleet currently in service.
2. The additional vehicle is required to ensure the waste and recycling service continues to provide an effective kerbside collection service to all households in the borough.

Alternative Options

1. The Council could undertake an open tender process with other manufacturers; however, negotiations were made with Dennis Eagle to obtain the best possible price for a vehicle to match the Council's existing fleet and maintenance schedules. An open tender process will require more resource and will extend the procurement process, delaying the operational 'live' date of the vehicle.
2. In line with recommendations from the Energy Savings Trust and as set out in the Council's Fleet Transition Forward Plan it is not recommended to purchase an electric RCV, on the basis of cost (at approx. £380k an equivalent EV is 125% more expensive) and operational viability (range and charging infrastructure). The agreed forward plan for fleet replacement sets out proposals to transition the RCV fleet from 2025.

Conflict of Interest

N/A

Dispensation by Head of Paid Service

N/A

Dispensation by Monitoring Officer

N/A

Part B – To be completed by the Proper Officer (Democratic Services)

Portfolio Holder Decision Reference Number

WAS-008-20.

Implementation Date

This decision can be implemented if no request for the decision to be reviewed (call-in) has been made **after 5pm on Tuesday 27 April 2021.**

Call-in Procedure

The Decision Notice for this decision was published on the internet and placed in the Members' Room and the Customer Service Centre on **20 April 2021.**

A request for reference to the Scrutiny Panel must be made by **5pm on Tuesday 27 April 2021.**

Signature of Proper Officer: Kate Randall