

DECISION RECORD ¹

Subject: 5 Year Agreement for Horizon VDI Software Solution and Support Services	
Staff Contact: Simon Russell	Executive Member: Cllr Rob Broom
Tel: 01438 242091	Portfolio: Neighbourhoods & Community Working

1. **Decision**

That the Strategic Director:

1. Has determined that the Part II version of this Decision Record should not be disclosed to the public as it contains exempt information as defined by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12 A, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing that information.
2. Authorises procurement of the licences from the preferred supplier set out in the Part II version of this Decision Record.

2. **Reasons for the decision**

To resolve the issue of desktop performance and stability the ICT Shared service needs to update its Horizon VDI desktop software to the latest version 7. To meet the necessary technical requirements the ICT Partnership also needs to update its current licences from Standard to Enterprise.

3. **Alternative options considered and rejected ²**

To host the Partnership's VDI on a cloud based platform would mean that both Authorities would continue to face desktop performance and stability issues which would negatively impact on staff productivity levels and customer service delivery. In addition, the costs of a cloud based solution were not favourably comparable to the costs of updating the licences as recommended.

4. **Consultation**

- (a) Comments of Executive Member ^{3 4}

The need to upgrade and deploy the new software was recognised and supported.

- (b) Comments of other consultees ⁵

In view of the need to procure the licences by 31 March 2019 to secure the most preferential licence fees and support costs, the Chair of the Overview &

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Scrutiny Committee, in accordance with the Council's Overview & Scrutiny Rules, has agreed that the above decision is urgent and that the Call-in rule be waived.

5. **Following consultation with, and the concurrence of the Executive Member, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.**

Signed:SIGNATURE REDACTED

Title: ...STRATEGIC DIRECTOR..... Date: ...25 March 2019.....

6. **PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED/SIGNED FORM TO CONSTITUTIONAL SERVICES FOR PUBLICATION**

¹ for guidance see Borough Solicitor's note "Taking Decisions"

² details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer at the time the decision was made

³ record any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member consulted. If an Executive Member declares a conflict of interest DO NOT PROCEED without seeking advice from the Borough Solicitor

⁴ If the matter has general significance for the Council and/or is, or is likely to be, controversial, then the officer shall consult the appropriate Executive Member before proceeding. In some cases it will be necessary to consult more than one Executive Member, and in some cases the Leader of the Council will need to be consulted

⁵ If the matter has local significance, but no general significance for the Council and no controversial aspects, the officer shall consult or inform the local member in writing (or by e mail) and proceed. It is essential that all officers responsible for delivering services ensure that local members are kept well briefed on issues affecting their areas.