

EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION NOTICE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000 SECTION 9E

1 **EXECUTIVE MEMBER**

Cllr Stephen Boulton

2 TITLE OF REPORT

Extension of payment contract

3 <u>DECISION TAKEN</u>

To extend the payment contract with Allpay Limited by 3 years from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2026.

4 IF URGENT, REASONS FOR URGENCY

Not urgent

5 <u>DETAILS OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER</u>

Name	Cllr Stephen Boulton	
Signature		
Date this decision was taken		15 February 2023
Date of circulation/publication of this decision		22 February 2023

6 EXPLANATION/BACKGROUND:

- 6.1 The Council allows customers to make cash payment at post offices and other outlets such as newsagents and has a contract in place to provide these services
- 6.2 In March 2020, Cabinet agreed to award an initial three year contract to Allpay Limited with an option to extend by a further three years.

6.3 The contract is a calloff from the Procurement for Housing Framework and as this has been tendered on the open market, it is considered that this is still best value for the Council.

6.4 <u>Legal Implications</u>:

The calloff is in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

6.5 <u>Financial Implications</u>:

The contract is charged on a per transaction basis and in the last 12 months, it cost the Council £27,800. During this time £6.28m of funds were collected across 50,294 transactions mainly from residents paying council tax and housing rent.

6.6 Risk Implications:

There are no further risks associated with the proposed extension of contract.

6.7 <u>Alternative options considered and reasons for their rejection (if any):</u>

The Council could procure not extend the contract and procure the services directly. This is not considered the best option as a consortium, with a larger buying power has already undertaken a compliant procurement.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS USED TO INFORM THE DECISION

7.1 Cabinet report – 10th March 2020

8 <u>DETAILS OF ANY MEMBERS OR OFFICERS WHO HAVE DECLARED AN INTEREST IN THIS MATTER AND NATURE OF ANY SUCH INTEREST AND ANY DISPENSATIONS GRANTED</u>

- 8.1 None
- 9 <u>ADDITIONAL CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION CONSIDERED</u>
- 9.1 None

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