

# Cabinet

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<b>Title</b>	Delegated authority for the selection of a supplier of a refuse collection vehicle		
<b>Purpose of the report</b>	To make a decision		
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<b>Cabinet Member</b>	Councillor Richard Barratt	<b>Confidential</b>	No
<b>Corporate Priority</b>	Clean and Safe Environment		
<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Cabinet is being asked to delegate the selection of the supplier to the Group Head of Neighbourhood Services in consultation with the portfolio holder.</b>		
<b>Reason for Recommendation</b>	<b>To ensure that the procurement of the refuse collection vehicle can progress as soon as possible due to the long lead in time for delivery.</b>		

## 1. Key issues

- 1.1 On the 19 June 2019 the Council agreed the budget for the purchase a new refuse collection vehicle (RCV). This RCV is of a design to allow the authority to collect refuse and recycling from underground refuse storage areas which are being installed in new developments within the borough.
- 1.2 There are a number of suppliers of these specialist RCV's on a Public Contracts Regulations 2015 compliant framework agreement. A mini competition will be run with all the eligible suppliers under that framework. The mini-competition responses will be evaluated in accordance with a price quality split to ensure that the vehicle has the correct functionality.
- 1.3 Under contract standing orders, due to the value of the vehicle, the selection of the supplier is a cabinet decision.
- 1.4 The lead in time for the construction of these RCV's can be as long as 11 months and with developments being built now with these underground storage areas, the Authority needs to ensure that the vehicle is purchased as soon as possible. If the decision for the selection of the supplier is delegated to the Group Head of Neighbourhood Services in consultation with the portfolio holder, this allows for the flexibility in the timetable to be able to award the contract as soon as the evaluation has taken place, rather than waiting for the Cabinet cycle.

## 2. Options analysis and proposal

- 2.1 The preferred option is for the delegation of this decision to allow for a timely decision on the supplier following the evaluation to ensure that the RCV is in production as soon as possible to serve the new developments in the borough.
- 2.2 The other option would be not to agree to the delegation. If no delegation is given the selection would be brought to a future meeting of the cabinet and this could impact on the timescales for delivery.
- 3. Financial implications**
- 3.1 The budget for the purchase of this vehicle has already been agreed.
- 4. Other considerations**
- 4.1 Legal/procurement advice has been obtained on the suitability of the framework agreement. This is a compliant route to market.
- 5. Timetable for implementation**
- 5.1 The mini-competition papers are due to be issued prior to the cabinet meeting. It is anticipated that a supplier will be selected in February and the order placed for the vehicle. The delivery times of the vehicle will be one of the mini-competition assessment criteria.

**Background papers: There are none**

**Appendices: There are none**