

OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME RECORD OF OPERATIONAL DECISION



TO BE UPLOADED TO THE E-MEETINGS MANAGER

Date: 28 th August 2020	Ref No: 248
Type of Operational Decision:	
Executive Decision <input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/>	Council Decision <input type="checkbox"/>
Status: For Publication	
Title/Subject matter: Hire of x6 26 tonne refuse collection vehicles up to January 2021.	
Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance – Is the decision:	
(i) within an Approved Budget	Yes
(ii) not in conflict with Council Policy	Yes
(iii) not raising new issues of Policy	Yes
Equality Impact Assessment [Does this decision change policy, procedure or working practice or negatively impact on a group of people? If yes – complete EIA and summarise issues identified and recommendations – forward EIA to Corporate HR]	No

Details of Operational Decision Taken [with reasons]:

The Council's fleet of refuse collection vehicles (RCVs) is aging and increasingly unreliable, with the majority being more than 8 years old now. The original lease on them has expired and so they are working beyond their original life expectancy. Vehicle Workshops find it increasingly difficult to ensure that the Waste Management service has a sufficient number of vehicles available every day in order to operate a full service.

As a result of the above, x6 26 tonne RCVs are being hired in currently in order to maintain the necessary level of service.

It is proposed to extend the hire agreement through till January 2021, when 12 new vehicles are due to be delivered, for all 6 vehicles.



At the same time it is also proposed that the vehicles are hired from an alternative company at a lower rate, resulting in a reduction of costs.

Although there is no budget for these hired vehicles this is an operational necessity following previous years of not approving the replacement of vehicles, they will be funded through the Transport budget which unfortunately will lead to an overspend at the end of the financial year.

Please see the attached background note for details.



Background
Information RCV Hir

Decision taken by:	Signature:	Date:
Donna Ball Executive Director - Operations		01/09/2020
Neil Long Assistant Director - Operations		01/09/2020
Members Consulted [see note 1 below]		
Cabinet Member/Chair		
Notes		
<p>1. It is not generally a requirement to consult with any Members on Operational Decisions but where a Chief Officer considers it necessary to consult with the appropriate Cabinet Member and/or Lead Member, they must sign the form so as to confirm that they have been consulted and that they agree with the proposed action. The signature of the Opposition Spokesperson should be obtained to confirm that he/she has been consulted.</p> <p>2. This form must not be used for urgent decisions.</p>		

