

**OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME
RECORD OF DECISION**



Date: 21 October 2020	Ref No: 302
Responsible Officer: Chris Horth and Laura Swann	
Title/Subject matter: GM Clean Air Plan Procurement Delegation – Grant Admin	
Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance:	
(i) Is the decision within an Approved Budget?	Yes
(ii) Is the decision in conflict with the council’s policies, strategies or relevant service plans?	No
(iii) Does the decision amend existing or raise new policy issues?	No
(iv) Is the decision a non-key decision (below £100,000, outside the MO definitions)	Yes
Is publication still required? (see guidance)	Yes

Summary:

Approval for GMCA (acting by its officer, TfGM) to be authorised to award the contract for system/services for the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan retrofit grant platform to Fluent Technology utilising the initial tranche of £36m of funding from Government to deliver the CAZ and other GM CAP measures.

The attached Delegation Report provides more information but brief details are provided below.



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In a report to cabinet on 29th January 2020 it was advised that, given the scale and challenging timeline to deliver a charging Clean Air Zone as required by the Ministerial Direction, there is preparatory work that needs to be undertaken to maintain delivery momentum.

On 20th May 2020 Councillor Alan Quinn approved that the GMCA (acting by its officer, TfGM) is authorised to undertake the preparatory procurement arrangements that need to be undertaken to deliver the CAZ and other GM CAP measures on behalf of Bury Council in accordance with TfGM's existing Constitutional arrangements.



Part of the preparatory procurement arrangements is the appointment of a supplier of a digital grant management/administration platform to administer funding to eligible applicants for the Clean Air Grant Retrofit (Bus, Coach, Taxi and HGV) and Clean Bus Replacement Fund.

This is the fund that will be offered to GM businesses to help them to upgrade their vehicles to cleaner compliant models.

It is anticipated that the volume of applications for the Clean Air Grant Retrofit (Bus, Coach, Taxi and HGV) and Clean Bus Replacement Funding will be 960+ bus retrofit applications, 520+ bus replacement applications and 270 retrofit applications for other coaches, taxis and HGVs.

TfGM have now completed a robust procurement exercise to deliver this function and as a result:

Councillors Alan Quinn and Lucy Smith are recommended to approve that GMCA (acting by its officer, TfGM) is authorised to award to the contact to Fluent Technology utilising the initial tranche of £36m of funding from Government to deliver the CAZ and other GM CAP measures.

Options considered:		
Decision: <i>[with reasons]</i>		
Decision made by:	Signature:	Date:
Executive Director of Operations		22/10/2020
Assistant Director Operations (Strategy)		21/10/20
Janet Witkowski	Approved	22/10/2020
Lisa Kitto	Approved	27/10/2020
Members Consulted (if applicable) [see note 1 below]		
Councillor Alan Quinn	Approved	22/10/2020
Councillor Lucy Smith	Approved	22/10/2020

Notes

1. Where, in accordance with the requirements of the Officer Delegation Scheme, a Chief Officer consults with the appropriate Cabinet 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 if required, to confirm that he/she has been consulted. Please refer to the MO Guidance.
2. **This form must not be used for urgent decisions.**
3. Where there is any doubt, Corporate Directors should err on the side of caution and seek advice from the Council's Monitoring Officer.