

Report of: Head of Strategy & Solutions

Report to: Chief Digital & Information Officer

Date: 18th November 2019

Subject: To request approval to carry out a series of procurement exercises to support the delivery of the Community Cloud project.

Are specific electoral wards affected?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, name(s) of ward(s):	
Has consultation been carried out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Will the decision be open for call-in?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, access to information procedure rule number:	
Appendix number:	

Summary

1. Main issues

- The Council, on behalf of the multi-organisational City Digital Partnerships Team (CDPT) is working with city-based Healthcare partners to create and provide a common, shared ICT platform serving public services which can potentially expand in the future to host other city-based organisations, such as third sector.
- Delivery of this project will help generate savings and economies of scale through adoption of selective City wide initiatives, as well as significant year on year Income opportunities via delivery to external organisations and Health partners.

2. Best Council Plan Implications (click [here](#) for the latest version of the Best Council Plan)

- Improving the city's digital infrastructure and tackling climate change risks.
- Improving Health & Well Being through increased organisational collaboration across LCC & Health Partners and supporting self care outcomes

3. Resource Implications

- Strategic Sourcing team will work with the members of the Project team to procure the most beneficial and appropriate services to support the delivery of the project.

Recommendations

- a) The Chief Digital and Information Officer is recommended to approve carrying out a series of procurement exercises to support delivery of the Community Cloud project.

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To seek approval from the Chief Digital and Information Officer to carry out a series of procurement exercises to support delivery of the Community Cloud project.

2. Background information

- 2.1 The Council, on behalf of the multi-organisational City Digital Partnerships Team (CDPT) is working with city-based Healthcare partners to create and provide a common, shared ICT platform serving public services which can potentially expand in the future to host other city-based organisations, such as third sector.
- 2.2 The Council is taking the lead role in creating and hosting a common shared platform, which has been named the 'Community Cloud', and service capability which can be reused by partners across the city. This will help to ensure best returns for all parties by establishing a set of generic 'shared service' components based on achieving business outcomes; a key driver being the opportunity to bring local authority and healthcare professionals onto a common platform, which will enable opportunities for closer collaboration and better integration of local public services.
- 2.3 To support the overall delivery of this project, the Council will undertake a series of procurement exercises to contract for the required services.

3. Main issues

- 3.1 The Key Decision approving details of the overall project scope and funding was approved and published on 26th March 2019 (D48535). You can see that decision [here](#).

4. Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

- 4.1.1 Undertaken and recorded as part of the Key Decision.

4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

- 4.2.1 Undertaken and recorded as part of the Key Decision.

4.3 Council policies and the Best Council Plan

- 4.3.1 Undertaken and recorded as part of the Key Decision.

- 4.3.2 The services to be procured are to deliver the migration of activities from LCC Data Centres to Cloud based computing. This supports / benefits the local Climate Emergency through the reduction of data centre consumption of electrical power.

Exact benefits will be dependent on decisions as part of the procurement activity to define exact workloads to be migrated.

4.4 Resources, procurement and value for money

- 4.4.1 The Council's Strategic Sourcing team will carry out the procurement exercises on behalf of the Project Team.
- 4.4.2 Carrying out a series of procurement exercises to secure the most competitive and technically competent suppliers to deliver the services required represents best use of Council funds.

4.5 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

- 4.5.1 The decisions to undertake a series of procurement exercises at the anticipated values are Significant Operational Decisions and not subject to call-in.

4.6 Risk management

- 4.6.1 There are no identifiable risks in relation to carrying out a series of procurement exercises to secure the required services.

5. Conclusions

- 5.1 To support delivery of the Community Cloud project, the Council must procure the required services from external contractors.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 The Chief Digital and Information Officer is recommended to approve carrying out a series of procurement exercises to support delivery of the Community Cloud project.

7. Background documents¹

- 7.1 None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.