Delegated Decision Notice (DDN)

This form is the written record of a key, significant operational or administrative decision taken by an officer.

Decision type	☐ Key Decision			☐ Administrative	
		Operational Decision		Decision	
Approximate	☐ Below £500,000	☐ below £25,000		☐ below £25,000	
value	£500,000 to £1,000,000	☐ £25,000 to £100,000		£25,000 to £100,000	
	over £1,000,000	∑ £100,000 to £500,000			
		Over £500,000			
Director ¹	Director of Children and Families				
Contact person:	Chris Gosling		Telephone number:		
	(Project Manager)		07891 276 855		
Subject ² :	Approval to appoint AHR Building Consultancy Ltd for the provision of Multi-				
	Disciplinary Consultancy Services in connection with the provision of a new 'post-				
	16' Block at Pudsey Grammar School				
Decision	What decision has been taken?				
details ³ :	(Set out all necessary decisions to be taken by the decision taker including decisions in				
	relation to exempt information, exemption from call-in etc.)				
	The Head of Learning Systems has:				
	a) Approved the direct appointment of AHR from Lot 8A of the 'Efficiency North				
	Multi-Disciplinary Consultancy Services' framework to deliver multi-disciplinary				
	consultancy services (RIBA Stages 2 to 6) related to the provision of a new				
	'post-16' block at Pudsey Grammar School.				
	b) Approved entering into a NEC4 Professional Service Contract (PSC) with AHR				
	for a total value of £413,999.80.				
	c) Noted the new 'post-16' block at Pudsey Grammar School is subject to a				
	funding grant from the Department for Education.				

¹ Give title of Director with delegated responsibility for function to which decision relates.

² If the decision is key and has appeared on the list of forthcoming key decisions, the title of the decision should be the same as that used in the list ³ Simply refer to supporting report where used as these matters have been set out in detail.

A brief statement of the reasons for the decision (Include any significant financial, procurement, legal or equalities implications, having consulted with Finance, PACS, Legal, HR and Equality colleagues as appropriate) The purpose of this report is to seek approval to appoint AHR to deliver multidisciplinary consultancy services covering RIBA Stages 2 to 4, and inclusive of necessary technical surveys and fees, associated with the provision of a new 'post-16' teaching block at Pudsey Grammar School. The appointment will be a direct award procedure through the 'Efficiency North Multi-Disciplinary Consultancy Services' framework and subject to a NEC4 Professional Services Contract between AHR and Leeds City Council. In May 2023 the Department for Education (DfE) awarded a grant of £4m for the design and build of a 'post-16' block at Pudsey Grammar School (PGS). The estimated construction costs for the block are £3.3m. In June 2023 a decision was taken to transfer the delivery of the project from the school PFI providor to LCC, as such for continuity of delivery it is necessary for the Authority to appoint the project's multi-disciplinary design team, AHR, to continue work on the project. To facilitate this requirement the 'Efficiency North Multi-Disciplinary Consultancy Services' framework is to be utilisied for direct call-off of AHR. Direct call-offs from this framework are based on the consultants' original tender submissions at the time of initial appointment to the framework, with evaluations being based on 50% / 50% split between 'price' and 'quality'. Procurement & Commercial Services and Legal have been consulted in the development of this report. Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision

The YORconsult 2 framework was first considered for this direct appointment, in line with CPR 3.1.6, however this option was discounted as not viable for use in this occasion.

Affected wards: Pudsey

Details of Executive Member

consultation Cllr. Pryor - Executive Member for Economy, Culture & Education

undertaken4:	Ward Councillors					
	Pudsey Ward Members - Cllr. D. Seary, Cllr. S. Seary, Cllr. Smith					
	Chief Digital and Information Officer ⁵					
	Chief Asset Management and Regeneration Officer ⁶					
	Others					
Implementation	Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation					
	The officer responsible for implementation is the Head of Service Learning					
	Systems.					
	The critical path for this contract award is noted below:					
	1. Direct Award (Consultant issued with ITT documents) - 10 th January 2024					
	2. Tender submission date for NEC4 PSC - 13 th January 2024					
	3. NEC4 PSC contract awarded - 20th January 2024					
	4. Contract start date - 20 th January 2024					
	5. Contract end date (RIBA Stage 6) – 18 th March 2025					
List of	Date Added to List:-					
Forthcoming	If Special Urgency or General Exception a brief statement of the reason why it is					
Key Decisions ⁷	impracticable to delay the decision					
	If Special Urgency Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval					
	Signature Date					
Publication of	If not published for 5 clear working days prior to decision being taken the reason					
report ⁸	why not possible:					
	If published late relevant Executive member's approval					
	Signature Date					
Call-in	Is the decision available Yes No					
	for call-in?					
	If exempt from call-in , the reason why call-in would prejudice the interests of the council or the public:					

⁴ Include details of any interest disclosed by an elected Member on consultation and the date of any relevant dispensation given.

⁵ See Officer Delegation Scheme (Executive Functions) CDIO must be consulted in relation to all matters relating to the Council's use of

digital technology ⁶ See Officer Delegation Scheme (Executive Functions) CAMRO must be consulted in relation to all matters relating to the Council's 7 See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 2.4 - 2.6. Complete this section for key decisions only

See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 3.1. Complete this section for key decisions only
 See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 5.1. Significant operational decisions taken by officers are never available for call-in. Key decisions are always available for call-in unless they have been exempted from call-in under rule 5.1.3.

Approval of	Authorised decision maker ¹⁰				
Decision	Viv Buckland – Head of Learning Systems				
	Signature	Date			
		14/12/23			

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¹⁰ Give the post title and name of the officer with appropriate delegated authority to take the decision.