



OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that the following decision(s) have been made today by Cabinet Members at the London Borough of Hillingdon:

Title of decision	AWARD OF CONTRACT: BUDGET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
Reference No.	240
Date of decision	06 August 2021
Call-in expiry date	5pm, on 13 August 2021
Relevant Select Committee(s)	Corporate, Finance and Property Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	All Wards

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Cllr Martin Goddard - Cabinet Member for Finance
DECISION	APPROVED That the Cabinet Member for Finance agrees to extend the current contract to Advanced Business Software and Solutions Limited for the provision of budget management software to the London Borough of Hillingdon for a 2+1+1 period from 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2025 and at the cost of £236k.
Reason for decision	The Council's existing contract for a budget management system is due to expire in August 2021 and this report recommends appointing the existing supplier through a framework agreement to maintain continuity of provision. The system is a key enabler of the work of the Corporate Finance function and therefore supports the Council in delivering <i>Sound Financial Management</i> .
Alternative options considered and rejected	The use of an alternative supplier was considered and, given that the existing system meets the Council's requirements, the additional resource requirements of managing a new system implementation would be disproportionate to any benefits that could be secured in the short term. This approach also facilitates a review of the Council's wider suite of financial management systems, which would be expected to secure

	greater efficiencies and improvements than changes to the budget management system in isolation.
Classification	Part 2 – Members’ Only and Not for Publication
Link to associated report	Report Restricted <i>That this report be declared as exempt from publication as it involves the disclosure of information in accordance with Section 100(A) and paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), in that the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any person (including the authority holding that information) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.</i>
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Iain Watters - Finance
Any interest declared by the Cabinet Member(s) / dispensation granted	N/A

Implementation of decision & scrutiny call-in

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When can this decision be implemented by officers?	<p>Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is:</p> <p>5pm, on 13 August 2021</p> <p>However, this is subject to the decision not being called in by Councillors on the relevant Select Committee. Upon receipt of a valid call-in request, Democratic Services will immediately advise the relevant officer(s) and the decision must then be put on hold.</p>
Councillor scrutiny call-in of this decision	<p>Councillors on the relevant Select Committee shown in this notice may request to call-in this decision. The request must be before the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period above.</p> <p>Councillors should use the Scrutiny Call-in App (link below) on their devices to initiate any call-in request. Further advice can be sought from Democratic Services if required:</p> <p>Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps (secure)</p>
Further information	<p>These decisions, where applicable, have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>This is the formal notice by the Council of the above executive decision, including links to the reports where applicable.</p> <p>If you would like more information on this decision, please contact Democratic Services on 01895 250636 or email: democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk.</p>

	<p>Circulation of this decision notice is to a variety of people including Members of the Council, Corporate Directors, Officers, Group Secretariats and the Public. Copies are also placed on the Council's website.</p>
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