



OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE PUBLISHED BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

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	CORPORATE MOBILE PHONE AND 4G DATA CONNECTIONS CONTRACT
Reference No.	1143
Date of decision	Monday 24 June 2024
Call-in expiry date	Monday 01 July 2024
Relevant Select Committee	Corporate Resources and Infrastructure Select Committee
Relevant Wards	N/A

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Ian Edwards – Leader of the Council Councillor Douglas Mills – Cabinet Member for Corporate Services
Decision	Approved That the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Corporate Services accepted the single tender from Virgin Media O2 UK via the CCS Lot 6: Mobile voice and data services Framework (RM6261 Lot 1) for the provision of a mobile phone and 4G/ 5G data connections contract to the London Borough of Hillingdon for a three-year term from 01 June 2024 to 31 May 2027 and at the value of up to £332,088.
Reason for decision	<p>The use of mobile phones and data connections is crucial in delivering front-line Council services to residents. Together they underpin the effective communication, collaboration, and receipt of information in support of work undertaken by staff to deliver Council services.</p> <p>Following a previous tender process, Virgin Media O2 (Previously O2 UK) has delivered a robust service that has encompassed innovation as communication technology evolves.</p> <p>If approved, the new contract with Virgin Media O2 will provide the Council with the opportunity to make more efficient use of its communications assets for the longer term, enabling cost reduction and aiding the delivery and improvement of critical frontline services.</p>

Alternative options considered and rejected	<p>Do nothing: this option is not recommended as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The current contract would lapse and it would leave the Council with no access to mobile phones, seriously degrading the services that residents are used to receiving from officers and which are often available via phone, text, video call throughout the day; (ii) There would be risks associated with having lone workers in the community without access to a mobile telephone to request urgent assistance if required. (iii) We have an option to run a full market tender, however, if VM02 did not win then it would be significant disruption to switch providers at this current time and the Government framework is designed to support the proposed procurement route.
Classification	Part II – Members Only and Not for Publication
Link to associated report	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 particular person (including the authority holding that information) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Dale Gordon – Digital & Intelligence: Technology
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 Monday 01 July 2024</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>

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	<u>Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps</u> (secure)
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@hillington.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> <p style="text-align: right;">Democratic Services London Borough of Hillingdon Civic Centre High Street Uxbridge UB8 1UW</p>