# EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DELIVERY

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for Waste Collection and Neighbourhood and Community Services:-

### MONDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2020

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor Warren	Executive Cabinet Member for Environmental Services Delivery
Councillor Peel	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Hayes	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Heslop	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Hornby	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Wright	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
<u>Officers</u>	
Ms. K. Hopkins	Assistant Director Neighbourhood and Regulatory Services
Mr. K. Roberts	Deputy Director of Place
Mr. M. Russell	Head of Service, Neighbourhood Services
Ms. K. King	Principal Environmental Health Officer
Ms. J. Pollard	Head of Strategic Finance and Accountancy
Ms. S. Woodall	Senior Lawyer
Mr. I. D. Mulholland	Principal Democratic Services Officer

#### 16. MONITORING OF DECISIONS

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report which provided an update on decisions previously taken by the Executive Cabinet Member.

The Executive Cabinet Member agreed that the report be noted.

#### 17. AIR POLLUTION MONITORING STATION

The Director of Place submitted a report which sought approval to negotiate, agree and enter into a Delivery Agreement with Transport for Greater Manchester and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority for the installation of an air pollution monitoring station.

Bolton Council worked with the other 9 districts in Greater Manchester and Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) on air pollution issues, including the development of the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan, to tackle nitrogen dioxide exceedances at the roadside following the legal Direction issued by the Secretary of State under the Environment Act 1995.

The Greater Manchester authorities operated a GM-wide network of real-time monitoring stations. A review of the network was carried out and this identified gaps in the existing network. It made a number of recommendations including establishing new air quality monitoring stations within the Rochdale, Bolton and Wigan local authority areas to monitor particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub>) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) as well as replacing some out of date equipment in other areas. Bolton does not currently have a real-time monitoring station.

Funding had been identified by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) to enable the installation of a realtime monitoring station in Bolton.

#### The Executive Cabinet Member AGREED to -

- (i) Authorise the Director of Place to negotiate, agree and enter into a Delivery Agreement for the installation of the new air quality monitoring station on Derby Street, Bolton.
- (ii) Authorise the Director of Place to place an order under the Framework Agreement entered into between TfGM and Enviro Technology Services Limited for the delivery, supply and commissioning of a monitoring station in Bolton.
- (iii) Authorise the Borough Solicitor to carry out any legal formalities.

## 18. FRAMEWORK OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS FOR SOCIAL NEEDS TRANSPORT

The Director of Place submitted a report which sought approval to carry out and complete the procurement tender process for the provision of Social Needs Transport services using a framework agreement for a period of up to 5 years from September, 2020.

The report explained that the Council currently spent over £2m per annum on the provision of taxi/minibus services to transport SEN children to education under statutory duties to do so. The current framework agreement for the provision of transport services comes to the end of its maximum allowable period in August 2020. There was now an opportunity to evaluate how the transport service was procured and contracted to try to improve the value achieved.

Whilst independent travel options and innovative controls on passenger demand would be deployed more widely, it was expected that taxi/minibus services would continue to be required in future years at similar levels.

The existing arrangements operated within a framework agreement with 83 pre -approved providers able to compete for work during the contract term which ends on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2020.

The proposal moving forward was that the Council moves to a more flexible Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) Framework which has been introduced in many neighbouring GMCA authorities such as Wigan, Bury & Salford.

#### The Executive Cabinet Member AGRRED to -

- (i) Delegate authority to the Director of Place to tender via the Council Procurement team for the delivery of home to school and college transport and schools swimming transport using a flexible Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) Framework to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020.
- (ii) Delegate authority to the Director of Place to appoint transport operators to the flexible DPS Framework in accordance with this report and substantially on the advertised terms and conditions.
- (iii) Delegate authority to the Director of Place to enter into call-off contracts from time to time with the most economically advantageous transport operators in respect of transport routes, substantially on the advertised terms and conditions.
- (iv) Authorise the Borough Solicitor to carry out all the necessary legal formalities in relation to the above.

#### **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved – That, in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in their exemption outweighs the public interest in their disclosure.

## 19. SAVINGS AND EFFICIENCIES CONSULTATION PROPOSALS FOR BOWLING GREENS

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out savings and efficiency proposals for Neighbourhood Services, relating

to Bowling Greens, in accordance with the 2019/21 savings programme.

The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED the report and endorsed option C for consultation purposes with the trades unions, staff and stakeholders.