

29 November 2012

This record relates to Agenda Item 88

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: LOCAL SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT
FUND - UPGRADE OF THE REAL TIME
PASSENGER INFORMATION (RTPI)
SYSTEM

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THE DECISION

That the Policy & Resources Committee:

1. Grants delegated authority to the Strategic Director Place to award a contract for five years for the upgrade, expansion and maintenance of the RTPI system to the successful supplier following the OJEU tendering process previously approved at the Environment, Transport and Sustainability Cabinet Member Meeting on 4th May 2012.
2. Grants delegated authority to the Strategic Director Place to approve a maximum of five 12-month extensions to the contract following the initial 5-year period, subject to the supplier meeting agreed performance targets.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To obtain delegated authority to award the contract for the upgrade of the current system to GPRS, along with the first five years of service and maintenance.

If the system performs as expected, and to all consortium members expectations and the supplier meets performance targets to extend the service and maintenance contracts on an annual basis following the first five years, through years six to ten.

To proceed with the roll out of the new system during 2013.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The current PMR system could be maintained and 'patched up' as required, but this would require an increasing maintenance budget to repair an ageing system. It would not improve the coverage of the system to areas that currently can not be served due to poor radio strength and if OFCOM sells the radio frequency currently used, an upgrade would be essential. Therefore this option has been discounted.

If a decision to proceed with the GPRS upgrade was not taken, a procurement process would still need to be undertaken to secure a new contract for ongoing service and maintenance. It is more cost effective to proceed with the upgrade as proposed.

Proper Officer:

Date: 30/11/2012

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:

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CALL-IN FOR SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come into force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of the meeting at which the decision was taken subject to:

- (i) any requirement for earlier implementation of the decision or,
- (ii) the decision being called in for review by 5 Members from two or more Groups represented on the Council.

