

NOTIFICATION OF SPECIAL URGENCY DECISION

(Decisions that need to be taken within five clear working days can only be taken if the decision taker obtains the agreement of the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred)

Please note: This process should only be used in exceptional circumstances where there are compelling reasons for urgency.


ORIGINATOR'S DETAILS
Name & Contact details of lead officer: Mike Greenhalf – Waste Contract & Strategy Manager Michael.greenhalf@Southwark.gov.uk

DETAILS OF THE REPORT
<p>Waste PFI Contract, Purchase of Food Waste Collection Vehicles and Equipment.</p> <p>To provide urgent authorization to the council's contractor to place orders for containers and vehicles required for rolling out new services to meet statutory requirements, and reduce waste disposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why has this decision been delayed until now? An essential element of the decision was confirmation of the funding provided by central government and clear definitions of statutory service requirements so that equipment needs could be specified and likely costs established• Why can't the decision be reasonably deferred? If this is deferred, there will be delay in supply due to increasing lead times, together with increased cost, resulting in the council missing the requirement to implement some service changes within the statutory deadline.• How long has the department known the decision was to be taken? It was not possible to specify a decision in terms of expenditure and exact requirements until funding was confirmed and provided by central government in late April 2024.• If scheduled on the forward plan for a particular period, what's changed to make it so urgent now? Not scheduled on the forward plan – this has had to be brought forward for decision as quickly as possible when both the statutory requirements and funding streams had both been clarified.

- Why is it important that this decision is taken now?**
 If this is deferred, there will be delay in supply due to increasing lead times, together with increased cost, resulting in the council missing the requirement to implement some service changes within the statutory deadline.
- What is the potential cost to the council if the decision is delayed?**
 A delay would risk in the council missing the statutory deadline for implementation and incurring increased costs to implement the service using hired resources – estimated added cost of around £200k.

Date decision to be taken on: 20 May 2024

Special Urgency Notice cleared by: **Matt Clubb - Director of Environment**

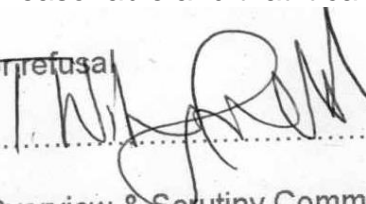
Director	
Date	16 May 2024

Please note that a final cleared report should be included in the submission

Declaration

I agree/~~disagree~~* with the Chief Officer/Head of Service that the proposed decision is reasonable and that it can be treated as a matter of urgency.

Reason for refusal.....

Signed.....  Dated..... 17-5-24

Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee/Mayor/Deputy Mayor*

* delete as appropriate

Please note reasons for refusal, additional points or further action required (as appropriate)