

NOTIFICATION OF KEY DECISION TO BE TAKEN

GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE

DETAILS OF DECISION	
Title of Report	Gateway 1 Procurement Strategy – Commercial Fleet Contract
Description/Nature of matter requiring Key Decision	To approve the strategy for the use of the Government Procurement Service framework agreement to seek competitive quotes for the provision of the council's commercial fleet requirements from April 2013.
Decision taker	Cabinet Member for Transport Environment and Recycling
Date by which Key Decision must be taken	January 2013
Reason why it was impracticable for decision to be on the Forward Plan	The decision is currently listed on the Forward Plan for decision by the Cabinet. It has however become clear that the decision is one that falls within the remit of the cabinet member for transport, environment and recycling due to the financial thresholds of the commercial fleet contract. Due to the lower expected spend.
Reason why the decision cannot wait for inclusion in the next Forward Plan	The next forward plan relates to decisions due to be taken in March 2013. The Council needs to replace around 90 commercial vehicles, some of which need to be replaced urgently as their primary leases have expired and are becoming less reliable and costly to maintain. This in turn is impacting on front line service delivery due to increased numbers of breakdowns and associated periods that the vehicles are off the road. The current contract for the provision of commercial vehicles may no longer be delivering good value for money and approval of this procurement strategy will allow the Council to seek alternative prices.
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