

**NOTIFICATION OF KEY DECISION TO BE TAKEN
GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE**

DETAILS OF DECISION	
Title of Report	Gateway 2 Contract Award – Night Owls
Description/Nature of matter requiring Key Decision	To award a new temporary contract following a single supplier negotiation for Night Owls home care services following a further allocation of funding to the council from the NHS via the Better Care Fund. Thus aligning the contract to other home care services, all of which will be subject to a forthcoming open procurement exercise.
Decision taker	Strategic Director of Children’s and Adults’ Services
Date by which Key Decision must be taken	September 2015
Reason why it was impracticable for decision to be on the Forward Plan	The report is listed on the forward plan as a combined gateway 1 (procurement strategy) and gateway 2 (contract award) report for an August 2015 decision. Following further advice at the Corporate Contract Review Board stage, it was decided that the gateway reports be considered separately. The non-key gateway 1 report was considered and agreed by the strategic director for Children’s and Adults’ Services on 8 September 2015.
Reason why the decision cannot wait for inclusion in the next Forward Plan	The next forward plan relates to decisions to be taken in November 2015 onwards and the current Night Owl contracts are due to expire at the end of September 2015. The gateway 2 contract award needs to be agreed as soon as possible in order to allow for the continuation of the contract.
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