

Cabinet Member for Children's and Education Services

# PROCUREMENT OF SOFTWARE MODULES

### SUMMARY

1.1 As part of a continuing project to integrate pupil data across the Council's service, two further software modules are required for Special Educational Needs and Pupil Support Services. Tribal Group PLC was appointed following a tender in 2004 for the provision of a Central Pupil Database and the Admissions module. As the new modules will be part of the Central Pupil Database system, it is necessary that they are purchased from Tribal and this will require a waiver of Clause 6 of the Contract Procedure Rules.

#### RECOMMENDATION

2. That a waiver of Clause 6 of the Contract Procedure Rules is granted to allow the selection of Tribal Group PLC to supply two further software modules.

## REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. Tribal Group PLC was appointed following a tender in 2004 for the provision of a Central Pupil Database and the Admissions module. The new modules will use the Central Pupil Database data and, therefore, it is necessary that the modules are purchased from Tribal. The recommendation in the Cabinet Report of 15 June 2004 to select Tribal was based, partly, on Tribal being able to offer a better range of optional modules, which include Special Educational Needs and Pupil Support Services.



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### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 As Tribal Group PLC works from a published price list there is no loss arising from the lack of competition.
- 1.2 Previous work with the Company has been very effective.

# OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 A full tender exercise could be run but would not lead to a lower price given the need to integrate with the Tribal Central Pupil Database and the 'price list' policy of the Company.

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Background papers:	ICT Contracts File
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications

# IMPLICATIONS

### Financial

1. The value of the contract is likely to be approximately £130,000, which includes licenses, installation, training and support up to March 2008.

#### Legal

2.1 None

## Personnel

3. None

#### **Equalities impact**

4. None

## Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. The proposal predominantly comes under the Council's Objective of A Stimulating and High Quality Learning Environment