

Audit and Accounts Committee 26th March 2014

ITEM 5

Report of the Strategic Director of Resources

Reporting of Waivers

SUMMARY

1.1 There are a total of 6 waivers within this report.

These cover the period 18th January 2014 to 4th March 2014.

Broken down by directorate we have.

		Approval route		
Directorate	Number of Waivers	Departmental	Urgent	Cabinet
CYP	1		1	
Resources	1	1		
Adults Health and Housing	2	1	1	
Neighbourhoods	2	1	1	
Total Number of Waivers	6	3	3	

• Three of the waivers were approved under departmental authority, and three under the urgency process.

RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Committee note the contents of this report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The information is for reporting purposes only; no decision is required by the committee.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 Appendix 2 lists those waivers that have been granted during the period 18th January 2014 to 4th March 2014

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 Not applicable.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer	
Financial officer	
Human Resources officer	
Estates/Property officer	
Service Director(s)	Martyn Marples – Director of Finance and Procurement
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None
Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 Each decision to waive competition requirements, where competition exists, has a financial impact which is taken into account when preparing the application for the waiver.

Legal

2.1 The report complies with the requirements of contract procedure rules to report waivers to the Audit and Accounts Committee.

Personnel

3.1 None.

Equalities Impact

4.1 None.

Health and Safety

5.1 None.

Environmental Sustainability

6.1 None.

Property and Asset Management

7.1 None.

Risk Management

8.1 None.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

9.1 None.

Appendix 2

Type of waiver	Department/ Division Seeking the waiver	Background/Description of the Contract	Annual Value	Request submitted through the waiver	Additional comments and/or reasons the waiver is needed	Date of Approval
Departmental	АНН	Personal Assistant Registration and Brokerage service	£20,000	To waive the requirement to obtain 3 competitive quotes and continue the service with Disability Direct	Disability Direct currently manages and promotes a register of Personal Assistants which is accessible via the Council website. Contract to be continued for one more year to maintain the effective service and provide continuity. The fee for this final year has been reduced by £6,800.	18/01/2014
Urgent AHH	АНН	Provision of Bed and Breakfast emergency accommodation	£400,000	To extend current contract for a period 2 months whilst re-	To cover the period whilst the re-tender process is completed. Current tariffs will be maintained during the two months	23/01/2014
		Framework agreement covering the supply of B & B accommodation for use by AHH and CYP	2 months period = £65,000	procurement is underway	be maintained during the two month period. The £65,000 is not additional to the normal cost of the service.	
Urgent Neighbourhoods	Noighbourhoods	Heavy Duty Asphalt Surfacing	£110,800	To waive the requirement	Funds to undertake this urgent remedial	23/01/2014
	Neighbourhoods	Two roads in Spondon which are of concrete construction are in a poor state and need constant and extensive costly patching. Replacing the entire concrete structure and replacing with tarmac is unaffordable.		to undertake competitive process and utilise a specialist product to resurface two roads in Spondon.	action have been allocated from the Highways maintenance revenue budget from savings made following the in- source of services	
		To bring the roads to an acceptable standard they are to be resurfaced with a specialist product, (Milepave), developed specifically for the resurfacing of concrete roads. Miles Macadam are the only manufacturer of Milepave.				
		The product has been tested and will extend the life of the road by several years.				

Departmental	Resources	Consultancy Support for the implementation of the HR/Payroll system	£20,000	To waive the requirement to seek formal quotes and continue to use Midland HR to complete the work.	Midland HR are the supplier selected to supply, install and support the new HR/payroll system. Additional support is required to complete the implementation This is estimated at a maximum of 25 days work. Midland HR having provided the support to the project is best placed to continue to do so.	11/02/2014
Urgent	СҮР	Supervised Contact Services Children First a locally based charity have provided Supervised contact services since 2008 The contract expired in March 2013 but was extended by one year to allow for a review of the service as the service is a full capacity. The redesigned service was then to be tendered. Due to staffing issues and changes to staff structures this work has not been undertaken.	£135,815	To waive the requirement to tender the service for a further 12 months until March 2015 and extend the contract with Children First to allow time for the scoping and review exercise to be undertaken.	The department are unable to resource the work to review the service to allow the tender to be undertaken any earlier than planned.	26/02/2014
Departmental	Neighbourhoods	Programme Officer to support planning inspectorate examination hearing process. DCC, South Derbyshire and Amber Valley work jointly to develop aligned core planning strategies. Amber Valley procured the services of a programme officer to support their work in this area. It has been recognised that there are benefits for all 3 authorities to utilise the same programme officer as the process proceeds to the technical and challenging examination process. All three authorities are involved in the hearings.	Maximum £30,000 Half the cost will be reimbursed by South Derbyshire Council	To waive the requirement to seek 3 quotes and use the same contractor as Amber Valley Council.	Cost of the known work is £20,800. Additional expenditure may arise should additional hearings be convened by the planning expectorate.	28/02/2014