

Reporting of Waivers

SUMMARY

1.1 There are a total of 8 waivers within this report.

Broken down by directorate we have

Directorate	Number of Waivers	Approval route		
		Departmental	Urgent	Cabinet
Neighbourhoods	2	1	1	0
Resources	3	2	1	
Children and Young People	3	1	2	0
Total Number of Waivers	8	4	4	0

- 1.2
- 1 of the waivers relate to single (sole) supplier (Indicated within the waiver report)
 - 4 of the waivers were approved under departmental authority, and a further 4 under an urgent action.

RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That 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 1 lists those waivers that have been granted since the last report to the committee. (March 2012)

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 Not applicable

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	Martyn Marples – Director of finance and procurement
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 None

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

Asset Management

7.1 None

Risk Management

8.1 None

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

9.1 None

Appendix 1

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
Urgent	Neighbourhoods / City and Neighbourhoods Partnership	Prevent (Countering Terrorism) – Workforce Development programme The University of Derby assisted in the development of the project which led to the award to DCC of a Home Office grant to implement the programme. The University will work in partnership with the Police and the Council.	£40,511	To waive the contract procedure rules to enable the contact for implementation to be undertaken by the University which supported the development of the programme.	The project including the named partners was approved by a Ministerial panel and is fully funded by the grant.	28/05/2012
Departmental	Neighbourhoods / Design Services	Urgent Replacement of Intruder Alarms at Beaufort Primary School A number of break-ins over a short period has highlighted the inadequacy of the alarm system at the school. As the system is old and unreliable the police no longer respond. A new system will include remote monitoring and will mean the police re-establish response. It is important that the work is completed prior to the Easter holiday otherwise the school will be vulnerable during that period.	£10,000	That the requirement to seek competition is waived in order to appoint ASI security Ltd to install the new system. ASI have worked at the school previously and are able to undertake the work during term time.		20/03/2012
Departmental	Resources / ICT Support for Schools	Software Utilities – Salamander Active and Salamander Sharepoint The utilities are currently is use in schools. A tender is currently being prepared for a Schools Network, School Management Information Systems and Learning platforms which will include the functionality of the existing systems. The new systems will be implemented in April 2013.	£10,656	That a 10 month contract extension be approved to maintain continuity until the new systems are procured in April 2013.		29/05/2012

Urgent	Resources / ICT Support for Schools	<p>Purchase of Google Chromebooks for Schools pilot</p> <p>The purchase of 95 Google 'Chromebooks' for a trial at two schools (St. Joseph's and St. Mary's) in order to trial the Google Internet based (Cloud) educational services for Schools.</p> <p>The product is only available from Google.</p>	£33,255	To waive the contract procedure rules and purchase the equipment from Google.	<p>It is expected that Google will appoint resellers for this product therefore enabling competition for future requirement should the trial be a success.</p> <p>Single Supplier</p>	15/03/2012
Departmental	Resources / Revenues and Benefits	<p>Academy Revenues and Benefits Software System testing</p> <p>The 'Academy' system is supplied by Capita Software Services (CSS). Services are required to support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The move to a new server • Develop the utilisation of technology and deploy unused modules • Advise and resolve data cleansing and archiving issues • Advise on how to get the best from the system and support QA 	£14,000	<p>To waive the contract procedures rules to directly appoint CSS to undertake the work.</p> <p>Using CSS rather than a third party consultancy means that CSS will continue to support the software in the event of problems which may not be the case if changes to the system were made by a third party.</p>	CSS already provide some consultancy as part of the system contract and will have greater knowledge of the system than a third party.	04/04/2012
Urgent	Children and Young people	<p>"Being your own boss"</p> <p>Training Programme for people considering self employment</p> <p>A Skills Funding Agency funded training programme to be delivered by business advisors accredited by SFEDI, the awarding body.</p> <p>SFEDI accredited suppliers for the East Midlands are South Nottingham College, Derby College, BES Burton and Being your own Boss Ltd, Alfreton.</p> <p>The Colleges have their own SFA funding for this work and BES Burton declined the opportunity.</p>	Up to £48,000 Depending on number of students	To waive the contract procedure rules and award the training programme to 'Being Your Own Boss Ltd'	<p>The 'Being your own Boss Ltd' advisors were formerly part of 'Business Link' The Government sponsored enterprise body that has now closed.</p> <p>An Ofsted inspector commented that the Being your own Boss course was "well planned and thought through".</p>	10/05/2012

Urgent	Children and Young People	<p>Continuation of the Parent Partnership service (Joint Contract with Derbyshire CC)</p> <p>Provision of independent advice and support to parents of children with Special Educational needs is a legal requirement.</p> <p>The current contract expired 31 March 2012</p> <p>Plans to retender the service were held pending the imminent publication of a Government paper which will identify key changes to the provision of this service.</p>	£62,000	To waive the contract procedure rules and extend the current provision for one year during which time the service will be retendered based on the revised specification which will be provided by Government.		24/04/2012
Departmental	Children and Young People	<p>Interim advisor to the Adoption Panel</p> <p>A qualified and experienced consultant to advise the adoption panel. 2 recruitment campaigns have failed to find suitable candidates to undertake this important work. The appointed consultant is very experienced and will take the work forward whilst a permanent solution is found.</p>	£13,000	<p>To waive the requirement to seek competition and appoint a known consultant with the necessary experience.</p> <p>Parasol Ltd</p>		6/6/2012