

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

(Executive Decision)

Decision Maker	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment
Title	Abandoned Vehicle County Contract (AVCC ET15326)
Date	30 November 2020

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1. The decision

- 1.1 That the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment approves the methodology set out within the supporting report to procure the Abandoned Vehicle County Contract (ET15236).
- 1.2 That the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment gives authority to spend in relation to the Abandoned Vehicle County Contract (ET15326) with an anticipated revenue spend of £350K over the planned contract period starting 1 April 2022 and ending 31 December 2030, to be funded from within existing resources.

2. Reason(s) for the decision

- 2.1. Approval of the recommendations in this report will facilitate Hampshire County Council and partnering Local Authorities in continuing to fulfil their legal duties in relation to the collection, storage and disposal of abandoned vehicles within the county of Hampshire, except for the areas under the control of the Unitary Authorities of Portsmouth and Southampton City Councils who have made their own service arrangements.

3. Background to the decision

- 3.1. There is a current joint working arrangement between Hampshire County Council and Hampshire Local Authorities under which the service of collecting, storing and disposal of abandoned vehicles is supplied by a single contractor appointed and managed by Hampshire County Council.
- 3.2. Legislation recognises that joint working is more efficient as it reduces resources spent on investigation and removes the need for each of Hampshire County Council and the relevant Local Authority to arrange for a vehicle to be moved.

- 3.3. Hampshire County Council and the Local Authorities jointly agree that their needs are best served by continuing with the current collaborative contract model and benefiting from service economies achieved by:
- removing the need for double collections of vehicles
 - only one party having to investigate cases
 - reducing procurement costs
 - having only one contractor to manage
 - Hampshire County Council absorbing most of the management costs within existing contract management capacity.
- 3.4. The partners recognise that there are service risks that might present during the proposed contract term and have agreed contract break points to mitigate them.

4. Other options considered and rejected

- 4.1. Entering a partnering arrangement with Hampshire Constabulary who also have a requirement to arrange collection, storage, and disposal of vehicles. This was rejected as the condition of vehicles dealt with, the kind of location to be collected from and collection response time required, is markedly different for each party.
- 4.2. HCC and each authority undertaking their own separate procurement exercises to fulfil their respective duties, which would significantly add cost and complexity.

5. Conflicts of Interest


To record conflicts of interest declared by any Member who is consulted in the process of taking this decision:

- 5.1. None

6. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service

- 6.1. None

7. Supporting information

- 7.1.  [Abandoned Vehicles County Contract \(ET15326\) Delegated Officer Decision Report.docx](#)

Approved by:



Stuart Jarvis, Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

Date: 14/12/2020

Officer Decision Supported by:

Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment

Date: