

SOUTH KESTEVEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – General Exception Urgency Notice

Agreement to consideration of a Key Decision in Fewer than 28 days' notice having been given on the Forward Plan

Notice is hereby given of an urgent key decision to be taken in a meeting for which 28 clear days' notice has not been able to be given.

Decision Title:	Contract Award for a new Financial Management System
Summary of Decision to Be Taken:	<p>That Cabinet:</p> <p>Approves the award of the contract for a value of £488,600 for a replacement financial management system to Unit 4 Business Software Limited for a period of 3 years with the option to extend for a further 1 year.</p> <p>Cabinet will consider the report at an extraordinary meeting on 19 April 2023.</p>
Decision-Maker:	Cabinet
Date of Decision:	19 April 2023
Contact Officer:	Graham Watts, Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer
Reason for Non-Deferral:	<p>The annual budget that was approved by Council on 1 March 2023 contained a capital allocation of £250,000 for a new finance system. This proposed purchase including a three year licence of £80,000 per annum is a combined contract value of £490,000 over three years and is within budgeted allocations.</p> <p>Due to the need to award the contract to ensure a smooth go live of April 2024, there is a requirement to award the contract as waiting until the next scheduled provisional Cabinet meeting of 30 May 2023 will not allow sufficient time to implement the system if approved.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Finance, Economic Development and Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Chairman of the Council are content that the decision is urgent and that the decision can be exempt from call-in.</p>

This is a key decision owing to at least one of the following reasons:	
a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which it relates; or	✓
b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising 2 or more wards in the area of the local authority	
Date:	11 April 2023