



**SOUTH  
KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT  
COUNCIL**

# Officer Delegated Decision

23 December 2025

Alison Hall-Wright  
Director of Housing and Projects

## Approval of Contract Extension for Asbestos removals

To approve a 12 month contract extension with McHale (MCP) for the provision of Asbestos removals

### Contact

Alison Hall-Wright, Director for Housing and Projects



<b>Decision made by:</b>	Alison Hall-Wright, Director of Housing and Projects
<b>Decision:</b>	To approve the extension of a contract with McHale (MCP) for the provision of Asbestos removals for a period of 12 months
<b>Public or Exempt:</b>	Public
<b>Reasons for exemption:</b>	N/A
<b>Conflicts of interest:</b>	No
<b>Policy compliant:</b>	Yes
<b>Details of delegation:</b>	<p>The Director for Housing is authorised under at Part 3 (c) for Delegated Powers to Officers, item 28 (Tendering) of the constitution to accept tenders and award contracts to contractors on behalf of the Council in the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Following a tender process strictly in accordance with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules and Financial Regulations</li><li>b) For carrying out works and/or the provision of goods and/or services.</li></ul>

## **1. Implications**

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance and procurement, legal and governance, risk and mitigation, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, safeguarding, staffing, community safety, mental health and wellbeing and the impact on the Council's declaration of a climate change emergency, the following implications have been identified:

### ***Finance***

- 1.1 The cost of this contract is included in the approved revenue budget for the Housing Revenue Account.

Completed by: David Scott Assistant Director Finance

### ***Legal and Governance***

- 1.2 A compliant procurement exercise was undertaken in 2023 which included the option to extend the contract for a further one year plus one year. The decision is in line with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

Completed by: James Welbourn Democratic Services Manager

### ***Health and Safety***

- 1.3 The management and where required, safe removal of Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's) must be completed by competent and qualified persons under the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012. The requirement to manage ACM's is stated in the Homes (fit for human habitation) Act 2018. Failure to manage this can make a house unfit for human habitation.
- 1.4 This contract allows the Council to meet its legal and moral obligations in relation to Asbestos control and provides a pathway to undertake additional works in relation to ACM's and preventing risk of ill health and Asbestos related illness for tenant, staff and third parties acting on behalf of SKDC.

Completed by: Phil Swinton Head of Health, Safety, Compliance and Emergency Planning

## **2. The Purpose of the Report**

- 2.1 To approve the extension of a contract with McHale (MCP) to undertake Asbestos removal work works across the Council's Housing Stock which are required to ensure the Council meets its legal and moral obligations.

- 2.2 On the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 Cabinet approved the award of a contract to McHale for a period of 2 years with the option to extend for a further one year plus one year. The total value of the contract award was an estimated £800,000 and to date the Council has spent £729,985.12 so the extension is within the approved value of the contract award. Procurement rules allow a 10% increase on the total value to be added before further explanation is required which would provide a possible £150,014.88 expenditure.
- 2.3 Based on the current rate of spend the potential exists that the contract could exceed the 10% which would trigger the requirement to publicise the overspend and reason for this. Should this be required it would allow up to 50% over spend on the estimated value of the contract.
- 2.4 During this contract there have been a number of works which could not be anticipated and have increased the spend beyond the estimate. The nature of the works and the legal requirement to manage and remove ACM's mean these works are not optional and must be completed when required and identified.
- 2.5 The contractor has met the requirements of the contract over the last 3 years (2 years +1 year) this is to extend for another year. There will be a procurement exercise in 2026 to establish a new contract for Asbestos removal works in 2027.

### **3. Available Options Considered**

- 3.1 The Council choose not to extend the contract, but this would result in a contract not being in place for Asbestos removal works whilst a tender exercise is completed.

### **4. Preferred Option**

- 4.1 To extend the contract with McHale (MCP) as the original contract included the option to extend for a further one year plus one year. This option ensures that the Council has a contractor in place to continue Asbestos removal works which ensures the ongoing health and safety of tenants and legal compliance

### **5. Reasons for the Decision(s)**

- 5.1 To ensure the Council has a compliant contract in place Asbestos removal works

Signed by: Alison Hall-Wright      23/12/2025

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