

RECORD OF INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE DECISION MADE BY A CABINET MEMBER

Decision Maker	Decision Type	Date
Cllr Abdul Jabbar	Principle Decision	11 August 2025

Decision:

Contract: IT Enterprise Architect Resource

Exempt/Confidential Report		No
Key Decision	No	

Reasons for the decision

IT Services are delivering several key infrastructure projects. A critical gap exists in the architecture capacity, risking delays in strategic programmes. To alleviate these pressures and maintain momentum on high-priority projects, additional experienced resource is required.

Failure to secure this resource through a compliant route would jeopardise delivery and increase risks across multiple workstreams.

Options/Alternatives considered

Option 1: Recruit into the vacant role. Attempts have been unsuccessful due to skill shortages and uncompetitive salaries.

Option 2: Source a new contractor via open market – this would involve onboarding delays, knowledge gaps, and higher costs.

Option 3 (recommended option): Proceed with a new Call-Off Contract with AireLogic This ensures continuity, leverages existing knowledge of Council systems, and offers immediate delivery capacity.

Conflict of Interest declared

None.



Cllr Abdul Jabbar MBE, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate Services and Sustainability

In consultation with



Fiona Greenway, Executive Director of Resources

Decision made pursuant to:

- a) **Delegation to Cabinet Member under the Council's scheme of delegation.**