

Cabinet



Date of meeting:	09 September 2024
Title of Report:	Recommendations from Scrutiny Management Board on Delt Contract
Lead Member:	Councillor John Stephens (Chair of Scrutiny Management Board)
Lead Strategic Director:	David Northey (Service Director for Finance)
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Your Reference:	N/A
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

On the 28 August 2024 the Scrutiny Management Board considered the Cabinet report in relation to the re-procurement of Delt Shared Services as the main provider of information technology services to the City Council.

Councillors received a presentation from Councillor Sue Dann (Cabinet Member for Customer Services, Sport, Leisure, Human Resources and Organisational Development) and Peter Honeywell (Transformation Architecture Manager) and after an extensive, detailed question and answer session made the recommendations as detailed below.

Recommendations and Reasons

- 1) Recommended to Cabinet that –
 - a) Issues of this nature should in future be available for discussion at scrutiny at an earlier point in the process;
 - b) Further reviews of the Delt contract should be undertaken in twelve months and subsequently at year 2, 4, 6 and 8 in advance of contractual break clauses;
- 2) Recommended to the Monitoring Officer that a mechanism which allows the scrutiny function to scrutinise the companies owned by the council should be included as part of the development of a Governance Framework pertaining to the Family of Companies.

Alternative options considered and rejected

None.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Scrutiny review of issues of this nature supports the commitment to openness and transparency and the Corporate Plan value of Democracy.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

None as a result of this report.

Financial Risks

None as a result of this report.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

No implications as a result of this report.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

** When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.*

None as a result of this report.

Appendices

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: David Northey

Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes

Date agreed: 29/08/2024