

OFFICER DECISION

Decision: To enter an arrangement with JCDecaux UK to continue the maintenance, repair, and cleaning of the JCDecaux UK bus shelters for the next 12 months.			
Decision Date: 7 January 2025			
Type of Decision: Director	Key		Non-Key X
Portfolio Area that decision relates to:			
Leader (inc. Corporate Services, Policy, Strategy & Partnerships)		Environment and Climate Emergency	
Economy & Culture		Finance, Performance, Major Projects & Equalities	X
Children, Young People and Education		Transport	
Health, Wellbeing and Adults Social Care		Housing, Planning & Safer Communities	
<p>In May 2024, Executive approved the additional extension of 12-months to the current concession contract for the supply and maintenance of street furniture with or without advertising with the incumbent supplier, JCDecaux UK, commencing on 1st January 2025 and expiring at 23:59:59 GMT on 31st December 2025, to allow a formal competitive exercise to be undertaken and delegate authority to negotiate and conclude the extension in accordance with the terms and conditions of the current concession contract with the incumbent supplier and the Council's Contract Procedure Rules under Appendix 11 of the Council's Constitution (the "Council's CPRs") to the Director of Governance in consultation with the Head of Procurement.</p> <p>The competitive exercise has concluded, and as a result, the incumbent will no longer be entering a concession contract.</p> <p>The incumbent contract expired on 31st December 2024, however clause 21 of the contract (which survives expiry and termination), requires that following expiry of the incumbent contract JCDecaux UK are required to repossess and remove all of their bus shelters and equipment and make good the sites upon which they were located within a reasonable period of time following expiry of the contract. If they fail to do so, then the Council may remove and store such equipment, reinstate the relevant sites, and recover our reasonable costs for doing so from JCDecaux UK.</p> <p>With the above provisions of the incumbent contract in mind, and acknowledging the need for a smooth transition from JCDecaux UK to our new provider, Clear Channel UK, and to allow sufficient time for JCDecaux UK and Clear Channel UK to arrange any necessary permits and consents required to carry out this work, the</p>			

Council and JCDecaux UK have agreed a removal programme with a longstop date of 31st December 2025, and have agreed to pay JCDecaux UK a monthly fee to cover the cleaning & maintenance of the Bus Shelter estate during the transition to the new operator. Dependant on the efficiency of the mobilisation from Clear Channel UK, JCDecaux UK's fee is estimated to range between £90,000 - £150,000. The total fee is dependent on the completion of the bus shelter removal programme, which has a long stop date of 12 months from 1st January 2025.

[Agenda for Executive on Thursday, 9 May 2024, 5.30 pm](#)

Options Considered:

Option 1: Approve the new arrangements with JC Decaux UK

Option 2: Do not approve the new arrangements.

Options Rejected:

Option 2: The council will need to ensure a smooth transition to a new supplier, with bus shelters continuing to be maintained, cleaned, and repaired as required throughout the next 12 months. The supplier and owner of the bus shelters is JC Decaux UK and therefore the council is obliged to enter into a new agreement with them.

Consultation Process:

Internal consultation only.

These new arrangements are to ensure existing service continuity during the transition to a new provider.

Implications

Crime & Disorder		Equalities		Highways	X
Human Resources		Legal	X	ICT	
Financial		Affordability		Property	
Climate Change		Health		Other	
Environment		Human Rights			

Implications Contact: Patrick Looker, AD Finance

Level of Risk: Low

Wards Affected:

All Wards	x	Fishergate		Holgate		Rural West York	
Acomb		Fulford & Heslington		Hull Road		Strensall	

Bishopthorpe		Guildhall		Huntington & New Earswick		Westfield	X
Clifton		Haxby & Wigginton		Micklegate		Wheldrake	
Copmanthorpe		Heworth		Osballdwick & Derwent			
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe		Heworth Without		Rawcliffe & Clifton			

Comments/Observations:

The award of the new advertising contract is subject to the provision of the installation plan, and will be a separate officer decision, as delegated by Executive in May 2024.

Decision: To enter new arrangements with JC Decaux UK for a 12-month period.

Decision Made by: Bryn Roberts Director of Governance

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On behalf of: Executive

To be implemented by: Claire Foale Interim Director of City Development

On Completion – Signed off by:  **Date:** 22/1/2025