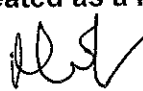
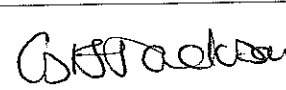


DECISION TO WAIVE EXECUTIVE DECISION TAKEN BY CABINET NOTICE OF DECISION

TITLE OF DECISION: ELECTRICITY CONTRACT RENEWAL		
NAME OF DECISION TAKER:	CABINET	
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Details of Decision made by Cabinet:		
(1) To renew the contract with Npower, via YPO, for four years.		
Reasons for the decision:		
<p>1. The reasons as set out in the Cabinet Report – Electricity Contract Renewal and upon acceptance of the officers' preferred Option. In particular, it is noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. YPO have already completed an evaluation of various suppliers before opting for Npower. b. We will have continued support from YPO to help us address and solve any issues should they arise. c. The YPO will provide annual fixed rates costs which will allow the council to budget accordingly. d. Contributes to the council's Carbon Zero agenda e. Provides a guarantee electricity is from renewable energy sources e.g. wind farms. f. Removes approx. 900 tCO₂e (~20%) of the council's Scope 1 and 2 carbon emissions 		
IS THE DECISION URGENT		
YES		
PLEASE DELETE AS APPROPRIATE AND GIVE REASONS FOR URGENCY BELOW:		
THIS IS BECAUSE THE RECENTLY ANNOUNCED ENERGY BILL RELIEF SCHEME COMBINED WITH AN UNCERTAIN AND VOLATILE ENERGY MARKET HAS CAUSED NPOWER TO RECOMMEND THAT COMPLETED CONTRACTS ARE RETURNED TO THEM BY THE END OF OCTOBER TO ALLOW THEM TO PURCHASE ENERGY ON THE BEST MARKET CONDITIONS.		
I can confirm that this decision is urgent as any delay likely to be caused by the Call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests and therefore is not subject to Call-in. The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been consulted. I hereby agree both that the decision proposed is reasonable, in all the circumstances, and to it being treated as a matter of urgency.		
Signed : 		
Chief Executive		
SIGNATURE OF CHAIR OF CABINET:		
DATE:		25 October 2022
DATE DECISION TAKEN:	25 October 2022	IMPLEMENTATION DATE – immediate call-in waived on recommendation (1)