Agenda item:

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Decision maker: Scrutiny Management Panel

Date: 25th July 2014

Subject: Decision taken by the Cabinet on 26th June 2014 to abandon

the proposed contact with 3GS limited to provide street scene

enforcement for the Council - Call In

Report by: City Solicitor

Wards affected: All

Key decision: No

Budget & policy framework decision: No

1. Purpose of report

To request the Panel to review the decision taken by the Cabinet on 26th June 2014 at which time it was decided to abandon a proposed contact with 3GS Limited for them to provide street scene enforcement on behalf of the Council. The report which was considered by the Cabinet on the 26th June 2014 together the minute of the Cabinet's decision is attached as Appendix One to this report.

1.1 Call-in and alternative decision making

- 1.1.1 These decisions were called in in accordance with part 3 of the Constitution of the Council the summary of reasons for call are:-
 - 1. Lack of consultation
 - 2. Inadequate financial information
 - 3. Did not believe that other Council schemes run my 3GS had been explored

Those seeking the call-in request that the Council reinstate the contract with 3GS for a six month trial period.

1.2 Background

1.2.1 Please see the attached report and minute which provide the background to the decision which was made on 26th June 2014 (Appendix 1)

1.2.2 In accordance with the provisions of the Council's call-in procedures officers have already advised the potential contractor that the contract has been abandoned in accordance with the Cabinet's decision. This is because an act of call-in based upon inadequate information does not prevent the implementation of the decision or decisions which have been called in. This would not however prevent negotiations from being re-opened with 3GS which could lead to a contract being entered into as proposed if this was the wish of Cabinet.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Panel considers the evidence and decides whether or not the decisions made by Cabinet on 10th June should be upheld or be referred back to Cabinet with their reasons why it should be reconsidered. .

3. Equality Impact Assessment

3.1 An equality impact assessment is not required as the recommendations do not have a negative impact on any of the protected characteristics as described in the Equality Act 2010.

4. City Solicitor's Comments

4.1 The City Solicitors comments are embodied within this report

5. Head of Finance's comments

5.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from the recommendation contained within this report although there would be financial implications in the event that the Cabinet decided to proceed with a contact with 3GS which could be considered by Cabinet at that time.

Signed by:	 	
City Solicitor		

Appendices: Appendix One attached

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters,	which have been	n relied upon t	o a material
extent by the author in preparing this report:			

Title of document	Location
Nil	

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/	deterred/
rejected by the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Panel	

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Signed by: Chair of the Scrutiny Management Panel