

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL
OFFICER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 18 January 2023 by the Director of Finance and Commercial Services.

Date notified to all members: 20 January 2023

1. **TITLE**

Call Off Contract - Core Infrastructure Managed Service

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Director of Finance & Commercial Services approves the commissioning, procurement strategy and award of a 3 year contract with an option to extend by 1 year (3+1) services contract, with an estimated value of value £1,460,000 over 4 years though the CCS' G-cloud 13 Framework to deliver the Council's Core Infrastructure Managed Service.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

A new 3 (+1) year contract with ANS for their managed service will enable us to continue to use their range of services to support our core infrastructure enabling vital access to business-critical ICT applications and systems.

Alternative options would risk disruption to service or loss of quality of service. This could prevent key services from carrying out their core duties and needing to invoke service wide business continuity measures.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

- *Allow the existing contract to time expire.* This is not an option as the Council requires a functioning ICT Service to enable users to access all appropriate ICT systems. To cease having a Cloud provider would have significant impact as council services would lose access to all ICT systems and Applications.
- *Extend the current contract.* This creates the risk of contravening the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and leaving the Council exposed to the risk of legal challenge.
- *Insourcing the service.* This is not an option as it is not practical for the Council to operate a cloud service and as it does not hold the Intellectual Property Rights to the required functionality.
- *Alternative technologies.* The Council currently doesn't have the development or technical *resource* available to fully implement and support such a deployment and certainly not within the current timelines.

5. **Documents used in making decision:**

None

6 **Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service**

None

7. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Tony Kirkham