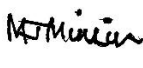


Delegated authority officer decision notice

Decision made by	Mark Minion
Lead officer contact details	Simon Turner, simon.turner@southandvale.gov.uk
Decision (Keep this succinct)	To approve the purchase CadCorp GIS Software to replace ESRI GIS as the councils' corporate GIS using the RM1557.13 (GCloud 13) framework for a minimum term of 3 years.
Key decision? (see notes below)	Yes, contract value is above £75,000
If key decision, has call-in been waived by the Scrutiny Committee chair(s)?	No
Confidential decision, and if so under which exempt category?	No
Delegated authority reference from the constitution	1.1 To incur expenditure within approved capital and revenue budgets 6.3 To sign on the council's behalf any contract for works, good or services.
Risks	The main risk to the project to update GIS system is around any delays in purchasing a new application will reduce the available time to migrate the data from the existing GIS system to a new solution provided by Cadcorp, to meet the deadline of exiting the Capita 5C IT contract by end of August 2025.
Reasons for decision	The current GIS system (ESRI) is an on-premise application which runs on IT servers provided by Capita under the 5C managed services contract. The GIS needs to be migrated to a 'cloud-based' solution before the end of the Capita contract (in line with the Technology Strategy) to ensure the corporate GIS used by many services teams within the councils' and residents is functioning post Capita IT exit.
Alternative options rejected	A) Continue using ESRI GIS. This option is not a valid solution because the system is runs on computer hardware and systems provided by Capita under the 5C contract. All council systems must be migrated to a different platform before the agreed end date for systems of 31 July 2025.

	<p>B) Continue Using ESRI by recreating the system to run in a cloud managed environment such as Microsoft Azure. This option would require the councils to build and configure their own computer platforms to support the ESRI software and to support it evermore. The councils do not have the required inhouse resources to configure and manage this option. This option would not provide any advantages of Software-as-a-Service that the Technology Strategy defines and would make the GIS software less productive impacting on services using the system.</p> <p>C) Purchase a different cloud-based GIS system. The GIS IT Development Team have evaluated a number of leading products and based on requirements and features of the products have rejected alternate solutions.</p>
<p>Legal implications</p>	<p>The councils respective Procurement Procedure Rules apply, under which an existing Framework, RM1557.13 (GCloud13), is being utilised, which negates the need for a full tender process. This mitigates risk to the Councils, so long as any contract is awarded in line with the GCloud13 Framework requirements.</p> <p>The minimum term on the GCloud13 Framework is 3 years, which means the minimum contract value (£33,950 x 3 years = £101,850) plus projected implementation costs of £26,100 is below the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCRs) threshold for services (£214,904).</p> <p>There is a risk of legal challenge from other suppliers if the original contract value awarded under the Framework is substantially exceeded.</p>
<p>Financial implications</p>	<p>The current ESRI GIS application costs £51,500 per annum on extended contract terms split between South and Vale.</p> <p>In addition to the software costs for ESRI the councils also pay Capita for 6 servers to support the GIS environment which costs £15,306 per annum.</p> <p>The total annual cost for providing ESRI GIS is £66,806</p> <p>The total annual cost for Cadcorp GIS system is £33,950 under the GCloud 13 framework, split equally between South and Vale.</p> <p>The total 3 years costs for ESRI are £200,417, whereas the 3 year costs for Cadcorp (including 1-off implementation) are £127,950 indicating a potential saving of £72,467 over the term of the contract.</p>
<p>Climate implications</p>	<p>As agreed with the climate team, the use of the Climate Impact Assessment Tool is not required for the decision set out in this report. The decision is to replace one software system with a different application, therefore there are no direct climate implications of this</p>

	decision. Both systems are hosted by their respective suppliers and do not create additional climate burden on the councils.			
Equalities implications	There are no direct equalities implications. The decision is to replace one software system with a different application. Both systems are hosted by their respective suppliers and use standard web browser technology to access the software. Web browsers have built-in tools to allow users with additional requirements to access web-systems.			
Other implications	None			
Background papers considered	none			
Declarations/ conflict of interest?	None			
Consultees		Name	Outcome	Date
	Legal legal@southandvale.gov.uk	Pat Connell	Agreed	14.10.24
	Finance Finance@southandvale.gov.uk	Maggie Xu	Checked and agreed.	16/9/2024
	Climate and biodiversity climateaction@southandvale.gov.uk	Kim Hall	Agreed.	9/10/24
	Equality and diversity equalities@southandvale.gov.uk	Ruth Lewin-Leigh	No additional comments to make from an equalities perspective, thank you for sending this our way	09/10/2024
	Relevant Cabinet member	Sam Casey-Rerhaye Neil Fawcett	Reviewed and consent provided by both Cabinet Members	15/10/24 15/10/24
Decision maker's signature To confirm the decision as set out in this notice.	Signature:  Date: 15/10/2024			