

TITLE OF REPORT:	Decisions taken under Delegated Powers during Summer Recess 2021
REPORT OF:	Peter Udall, Strategic Director, Economy, Innovation and Growth

Purpose of the Report

1. This report requests Cabinet to note the decisions made under delegated powers during the summer recess 2021.

Background

2. Cabinet on 20 July 2021 (minute no C40) gave authorisation:

That the Strategic Director, Economy, Innovation and Growth and the Service Director, Council Housing, Major Projects and Corporate Property, following consultation with the Strategic Directors, Corporate Resources and Digital and Corporate Services and Governance, be authorised to jointly approve the letting of any contracts relating to the Cabinet approved 2021/2022 Capital Works Programme which exceed £250,000 in value. Such approval to be in the form of either:

(i) an authorisation to invite or negotiate tenders in accordance with Rule 6 of the Contract Procedure Rules (“the Rules”) or to conduct some other procurement process in accordance with the Rules and to award the contract to the economic operator submitting the most economically advantageous tender as determined by the Service Director, Corporate Commissioning and Procurement in accordance with the stated terms of the tender or other process and, where applicable, the Regulations; or

(ii) an authorisation subsequent to the conduct of a tendering process or other procurement process in accordance with the Rules to award the contract.

The above decision has been made to enable projects to progress and to avoid delay in delivery of the capital programme and its related expenditure.

Decision Taken

3. Under the delegations agreed above the relevant officers have authorised the transactions contained in the attached schedule at Appendix 2.

Proposal

4. Cabinet is requested to note the decision(s) made under delegated powers.

Recommendations

5. It is recommended that Cabinet notes the decision(s) made under delegated powers as set out in this report.

Policy Context

1. The proposal is consistent with the overall vision for Gateshead as set out in Vision 2030 and the Thrive Agenda. In particular, creating the conditions for economic growth and improving health and wellbeing. The delivery of the capital programme is a fundamental element in the achievement of the Council's policy objectives.

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Consultation

6. In preparing this report, consultations have taken place with the Leader and Deputy Leader.

Alternative Options

7. There are no alternatives proposed.

Implications of Recommended Option

8. Resources:

- a) Financial Implications** – The Strategic Director, Resources and Digital confirms that the costs associated with the contracts where the decision has been made under delegated powers form part of approved schemes within the Council's capital programme.
- b) Human Resources Implications** – There are no human resources implications arising from this report.
- c) Property Implications** – There are no property implications arising directly from this report.

9. **Risk Management Implication** – there are no risk management implications arising directly from this report.

10. **Equality and Diversity Implications** – there are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

11. **Crime and Disorder Implications** – there are no crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

12. **Health Implications** – there are no health implications arising from this report.

13. **Climate Emergency and Sustainability Implications** – there are no climate emergency or sustainability implications arising directly from this report.

14. **Human Rights Implications** – there are no human rights implications arising from this report.

15. **Ward Implications** – The schemes are located in Chopwell and Rowlands Gill and Felling wards

16. Background Information

Report to Cabinet - 17 July 2018 (minute no.C46).

APPENDIX 2

Delegations relating to acceptance of tenders, placing orders for works, supplies and services up to a value equivalent to the tendering thresholds specified in the European Procurement Directives during the summer recess in accordance with Cabinet's recommendation:

Contractor	Date Signed	Value (£)	Scope	Start Date	End Date	Ref. (GC Legal)
Willott Dixon Construction Ltd	23/7/2021	£0.37m	Award of Preconstruction Services Delivery Agreement to Willmott Dixon Construction Ltd, for delivery of Chopwell Green Homes Grant	23/7/21	30.09.21	
Willmott Dixon Construction Ltd	6/9/2021	£6.2m	Award of Delivery Agreement to Willmott Dixon Construction Ltd, for installation of external wall insulation to homes in Chopwell	07.09.21	31.03.22	
PPSLtd	8/9/21	£2.8m	Award of contract to PPSLtd for construction of East Extension to Gateshead District Energy Network	8.9.21	31.1.22	