

## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL –PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

### DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

**Peter Osborne, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport**

### DECISION NO:

25/00078

**For publication**

**Key decision: YES**

**Subject Matter / Title of Decision:** To extend current Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) framework SS 15096 Supported Local Bus & Home to School Transport

### Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, I agree to:

- EXTEND the current DPS framework for SS15096 Supported Local Bus & Home to School Transport from its current expiry of 31st December 2026 to 23rd February 2029.
- ENABLE the development of an appropriate commercial strategy, taking account of the procurement options available under Procurement Act 2023.
- DELEGATE authority to the Director of Growth, Environment and Transport to approve the DPS extension report, as prepared by Commissioning and Procurement.
- DELEGATE authority to the Corporate Director of Growth, Environment and Transport to take other necessary actions, including but not limited to entering into contracts or other legal agreements, as required to implement the decision

### Reason(s) for decision:

The current DPS framework expires on the 31st of December 2026 and under the new Procurement Act 2023, there is no like for like replacement. To provide suitable time for alternative procurement frameworks to be fully explored and a new commercial strategy to be developed, it is proposed to extend the current DPS to 23rd February 2029. Such an extension is allowed under the Procurement Act 2015

### Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal is being considered by members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 9 September.

### Any alternatives considered and rejected:

- Procuring under PCR15
- Dynamic Markets
- Open Frameworks

**Any interest declared when the decision was taken, and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:**

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signed

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date