

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL –PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Peter Osbourne, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

DECISION NO:

25/00079

For publication

Key decision: YES

Subject Matter / Title of Decision: To extend current Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) framework SS15124 Home to School Transport (taxi)

Decision:

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

- EXTEND the current DPS framework for the Home to School Transport (taxi) SS 15124 from its current expiry of 31st October 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 as extension is allowed under the Procurement Act 2015.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal will be considered by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 9th September 2025.

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

