

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Mike Whiting

Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste

DECISION NO:

19/00039

For publication
Key decision*

Yes

Subject: Award of a short-term contract to the Commercial Services Group for the operation of three household waste recycling centres.

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste, I agree to

- a) Award a short-term variation of the contract for the operation and management of three Household Waste Recycling Centres at Tovil, Maidstone & Swanley, to Commercial Services Group (CSG) from June 2019 until November 2020.
- b) Note that Officers will prepare a common commissioning plan for the whole County. The detail of the various options within this commissioning plan, will be discussed at a future meeting of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee.

Reason(s) for decision:

KCC operates 18 HWRCs. There are more than 3 million visitors a year who deposit 170,000 tonnes of per annum. The daily operation and management of these sites is served by four contractors under three contractual lots. The contract for Lot 1 expires in June 2019. There is no contractual option to extend this contract.

The initial six-year contracts for Lots 2 and 3, concludes on 31st October 2020. There is an option of a further six-year extension based on good performance and agreement of some defined terms. At this time a formal extension proposal has not been submitted

By making the short-term variation to an existing contract with CSG to encompass the sites in Lot 1, all lots will have the same expiry point. Officers can then propose a commissioning strategy for consideration by Members of the Environment & Transport Cabinet Committee to cover the whole County, should an extension to Lot 2 & 3 with Biffa Municipal Ltd not be pursued.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal was discussed at the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 24 May 2019 and Members resolved to accept the recommendation.

Any alternatives considered:

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

signed

Name:

date

3/6/19