

# Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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<b>Reference Number:</b>	2134
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<b>Subject:</b>	Current infrastructure upgrade running Delphi (archive payroll and pensions) and OneWorld (archive financials)
<b>Total Value:</b>	£49,000 (ITEF funding) (Type: Capital and Revenue)
<b>Decision Being Taken:</b>	<p>1) To purchase a Unix AIX Power 7 server, to ensure we can continue to support the OneWorld and Delphi applications.</p> <p>2) To delegate authority to the Head of IT to enter into contract with the most advantageous tenderer.</p>
<b>Reasons for the Decision(s)</b>	<p>The EMSS (East Midlands Shared Services) project did not transfer historical payroll and pension data. The latter has a long retention period due to the need to maintain details of colleague's pension contributions. The historical data for payroll and pensions is running on infrastructure which is approximately 7 years old and support is now being provided at a premium price due to the age of the system. The normal renewal policy for equipment of this type is to have a 5 year renewal.</p> <p>There is an immediate need to update the servers within the infrastructure in order to ensure that there is minimum downtime, however these applications cannot be upgraded and can only be migrated to the Power7 server, supply of which will cease at the end of September 2015. It should be noted that the replacement hardware (Power8) will not support these legacy applications.</p> <p>Financial information within the Oneworld system will need to be retained for 6 years and this upgrade will support this requirement.</p>
<b>Other Options Considered:</b>	Retain the existing infrastructure. This option was rejected as the current servers are no longer supported by the supplier.
<b>Background Papers:</b>	None.

<b>Published Works:</b>	None.
<b>Affected Wards:</b>	Citywide
<b>Colleague / Councillor Interests:</b>	None.
<b>Consultations:</b>	Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.
<b>Crime and Disorder Implications:</b>	There are no crime and Disorder implications.
<b>Equality:</b>	EIA not required. Reasons: This decision relates to the purchase of maintenance support, which is not directly used by colleagues and citizens.
<b>Decision Type:</b>	Portfolio Holder
<b>Subject to Call In:</b>	Yes
<b>Call In Expiry date:</b>	24/08/2015
<b>Advice Sought:</b>	Legal, Finance, Procurement, IT
<b>Legal Advice:</b>	<p>It is not considered that this procurement gives rise to any significant legal concerns.</p> <p>It is expected that there may be further purchases of this specialised computer hardware in the coming year the value of these do not take the overall purchase beyond the Public Contract Regulations' threshold and thus engage those regulations beyond those relating to below threshold procurements.</p> <p>Advice provided by Brian Lewis Stewart (Solicitor) on 13/08/2015.</p>
<b>Finance Advice:</b>	<p>The IT Efficiency Fund (ITEF) has uncommitted funding of approximately £1.352m in 2015/16 and can meet the cost of this proposal. The approval to utilise funding from the ITEF has been received and the ITEF will continue to be monitored closely.</p> <p>Advice provided by Susan Tytherleigh (Senior Finance Manager) on 13/08/2015.</p>

**Procurement Advice:**

The Procurement Team supports this proposal and a competitive tendering exercise will be carried out via the corporate procurement portal to ensure a value for money purchase.

Advice provided by Paul Ritchie (Procurement Category Manager) on 12/08/2015.

**IT Advice:**

The IT Service supports this proposal. The computer infrastructure being used to run the legacy application systems for pay-roll (Delphi) and finance (OneWorld) is old and out of support. Whilst these systems and the data they hold are required then a suitable hardware environment will be required to support them and this proposal will ensure that this is continues to be provided.

Advice provided by Paul J. Burrows (Strategy Manager) on 12/08/2015.

**Signatures**

Graham Chapman (PH for Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration)
SIGNED and Dated: 17/08/2015
Glen O'Connell (Acting Corporate Director of Resources)
SIGNED and Dated: 14/08/2015