## **OFFICER DECISION RECORD (ODR2)**

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Subject: Award of a Contract for the supply of Refuse Collection Vehicles on the basis of Rental Agreements.

Date of Decision	15.08.2025
Decision Taker (including Job Title)	Chris Allman Director: Planning and Environment
Specific Delegation	The Contract has been recorded and approved within the procurement pipeline received by the finance sub committee of the 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2025. Finance Subcommittee recommended to:
	Approve the 9 pipeline projects in Appendix 1 column G as business as usual.
	The Constitution dated December 2024 Chapter 2- part 5 paragraph 53 delegates to the Executive Director Place authority to take any decisions in relation to Environment and Neighbourhood Services and Green Space management in accordance with the Constitution.
	The local scheme of delegation dated 2 December 2024 authorised the Executive Director of Place who in turn delegated authority to the Director of Planning and Environment to make any decisions in relation to the area of responsibility for Environmental Services.
	In accordance with the Environmental Services Financial Scheme of Delegation (v1.0 2023-2024), the Director of Planning and Environment is required to approve the award of contracts up to the value of £10M.

## Brief Description of Decision

To approve the award of a 4-year contract to **Trash UK Ltd** for the Rental of Refuse Collection Vehicles (RCVs). A summary of RCVs current on hire is provided below:

The total estimated Contract value is £3,600,000.

The contract value represents the maximum contract value. It is expected that year on year expenditure for RCV Rental will fall. For example, 7x purchased RCVs are due to be received imminently which will reduce the number of RCVs on hire.

This contract will provide RCV cover for delays, changes in Council policy and any other unforeseen events.

This contract has been procured via a preestablished national framework agreement which is administered by The Procurement Partnership Limited (TPPL).

The Contract is required to maintain our statutory duty for providing waste collection services.

	The procurement sought to appoint a single supplier. The successful supplier (Trash UK Ltd) and selected on the basis of providing highly competitive prices with quality vehicles and service.
	This contract is for the short-term hire of Refuse Collection Vehicles (RCVs) and as such provides no long-term commitment. This enables market analysis to be carried out to ensure best value. This also provides the flexibility to off-hire if the decision is made to replace these vehicles with electric alternatives or lower cost alternatives are found.
	All costs associated with RCV hire will be in accordance with existing pre-approved budgets.
	Nick Wrigley - Senior Lawyer - has approved the TPPL framework contract document.
Reasons for the Decision and alternatives considered	This contract provides for continuity of the hire of RCVs, which is critical to the frontline waste collection operation. The contract also provides flexibility, enabling the off hire of vehicles without penalty. This facilitates the authority to seek rates from other hire companies to ensure that best value is being achieved during the contract term. This contract will also facilitate ad-hoc hire requirements to cover busy periods and breakdowns of the wider owned fleet of RCVs.  Should this contract not be approved, CEC will lose the use of up to 20 RCVs, which would have a significant impact on the Council's
	ability to meet the statutory obligation to collect waste.
Member consultation and interests declared	N/A
Significant Decision	YES
	The award of a Contract for the supply Refuse Collection Vehicles via rental agreement is a

	significant decision due to value of the Contract being >£1M.
Legal Implications	The matter is considered a significant decision based upon the value of the proposed contracts. A feature of Finance Sub-Committee's functions is to have responsibility for the management of the Council's involvement in ASDVs. Consequently, the matter was put before Finance Sub-committee. The matter was considered as part of Ansa's procurement activity which transferred into the Council from April 2025. Finance sub-committee were informed of the nature and cost of the project. The pipeline project was subsequently approved by Finance Sub-committee on 9th January 2025.  The decision maker has the necessary authority to make the decision. Legal approves this ODR on the basis that it complies with the constitution and is entered into further to the appropriate resolutions, authorities and delegations.  Nick Wrigley – Senior Lawyer – 10/07/2025
Financial Implications	The current base budget for short term hires is £914k per year. The contract value in the ODR is for a maximum of 4 years. Therefore, the available funding over 4 years is £3.6m. The budget is sufficient to cover the estimated contract total over the 4 years.  Helen Green, Lead Finance Officer, 3.7.25
Confidential/Exempt Information	N/A
Background Papers	N/A

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Signed

Dated 15.08.2025