

# RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

## TITLE OF THE DECISION :- CAPITAL REGENERATION PROJECTS – HOMES FOR DOVERCOURT: EXEMPTION TO ENABLE DIRECT AWARD OF THE DEMOLITION CONTRACT

Date	Decision Maker	Decision	Reason(s) for Decision	Alternative Options Considered	Conflicts of Interest Declared (and Dispensations granted by the Monitoring Officer)	Consultation with relevant Ward Member(s)  Yes/No	Subject to Call-in?  Yes/No
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance	<p><b>It is recommended that:</b></p> <p>a) the Corporate Finance &amp; Governance Portfolio Holder on recommendation of Section 151 Officer, approves an exemption under Paragraph 2.2 of the Council's Procurement Procedure Rules;</p> <p>b) subject to (a), the Deputy Chief Executive and Corporate Director for Place &amp; Wellbeing in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism, approves to award and enter into contract with SRC Group Ltd (of Crown Business Centre, Ardleigh, CO7 7QR,</p>	<p>SRC Ltd. were the sole bidder but were disqualified for not meeting the SME criteria. As no valid bids were received, EPP issued Notice UK12: Procurement Termination via the Find a Tender Service.</p> <p>Despite this, the bid scored well across all other evaluation criteria. Officers have assessed the submission, with EPP reviewing Social Value and Commercial aspects. The external Principal Designer also confirmed SRC's compliance and capability. Demolition is critical to progressing the project and meeting the MHCLG funding deadline of March 2027, making it a priority. Fifteen companies expressed an interest in bidding, but only one eventually did bid for the works. Since the project has strict timeframes for funding defrayment, the deliverability of the project was balanced against requirement to support SMEs via the CRP programme. Lessons learnt for the future include: Having a broader remit for procurement, depending upon scope</p>	<p>1. Repeating the ITT, to include non-SMEs: Any bids received could be deemed compliant, at the cost of substantial time lost and impact on the overall programme.</p> <p>2. Not undertaking demolition – this option is not viable for the delivery of the projects.</p>	N/A	Yes	Yes

		Company number 10850220) for the purposes of undertaking demolition works.	and scale of the works required Encourage SMEs to engage in advance such that we can understand any capacity or capability gaps.				
<b>URGENT DECISIONS ONLY (If non-urgent go to “Agreement to Decision” below):-</b>							
<b>GENERAL EXCEPTION APPLIES?</b> (Rule 14 Access to Information Procedure Rules)			YES/NO	If yes, has at least 5 clear days notice been given to the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee?			<b>N/A</b>
<b>SPECIAL URGENCY APPLIES?</b> (Rule 15 Access to Information Procedure Rules)			YES/NO	If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee’s consent been obtained?			<b>N/A</b>
<b>EXEMPTION FROM CALL-IN APPLIES?</b> (Rule 18i Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules)			YES/NO	If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee’s consent been obtained?			<b>N/A</b>
<b>URGENT &amp; OUTSIDE BUDGET OR POLICY FRAMEWORK?</b> (Rule 6 Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules)			YES/NO	If yes, why is it not practical to convene a quorate meeting of full Council?			
				If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee’s consent been obtained?			<b>N/A</b>
<b>AGREEMENT TO DECISION:-</b>							
Signed:-  ..... Decision Maker			Date:-  .....		Delegated Power Reference (in Part 3 of the Constitution):-  4.3 ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC DELEGATIONS TO INDIVIDUAL PORTFOLIO HOLDERS 5. The exercise of functions delegated to the Portfolio Holder by the Financial and Procurement Procedure Rules.		

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