



Record of Officer's Decision

The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Date of Decision:	11/08/2026
Decision Maker (Officer):	Damian Williams, Corporate Director, Operations and Delivery
Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):	Tendring District Council Constitution – Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions / Scheme of Delegation), Schedule 3 (Executive Functions delegated to Officers), paragraph 4.3(1) – Corporate Directors have delegated authority to discharge executive functions within their respective service areas, subject to appropriate consultation (paragraph 4.3(4)(ii)).
Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?	Portfolio Holder for Housing & Planning – consulted and concurrence obtained.
Ward Member(s) consulted?	N/A
Is it a Key Decision?	No
Is it subject to call-in?	No
Decision Made:	To award a contract to Goom Electrical Ltd for the provision of Electrical Installation Condition Reports (EICRs), Category 1 and Category 2 remedial works, and full rewires where required, across the Council's Housing Revenue Account (HRA) housing portfolio. The proposed contract will be awarded through the Fusion21 Electrical Testing Framework.
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	The Council has a statutory duty to ensure that all electrical installations within its housing stock are maintained in a safe condition and inspected at appropriate intervals. Recent changes in regulatory expectations and the strengthened consumer regulation regime introduced under the Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023 place

	greater emphasis on proactive compliance, tenant safety, and demonstrable assurance of landlord responsibilities. Registered providers are expected to maintain robust evidence that statutory safety inspections are completed and that identified risks are remedied within appropriate timescales.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The Council must comply with: • Electrical Safety Standards in the Private Rented Sector (England) Regulations 2020, which have become an established benchmark for electrical safety inspection frequencies. • Landlord and Tenant Act 1985, requiring landlords to keep electrical installations in repair and proper working order. • Housing Act 2004 and the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS), under which electrical hazards are recognised as potential Category 1 hazards. • The Regulator of Social Housing Consumer Standards, effective from April 2024, requiring landlords to meet all applicable statutory health and safety requirements and manage risks to tenants appropriately. The award of this contract will support the Council in maintaining compliance with the five-year EICR inspection programme and ensuring that any Category 1 or Category 2 defects identified during inspections are rectified promptly to maintain resident safety and minimise regulatory risk.
Details of any Alternative Options Considered and rejected (together with reasons):	No other option considered. A failure to carry out the electrical inspections would result in the Council failing its statutory duty.
Details of any declarations of interest (by Portfolio Holder/Committee Chairman who was consulted by the officer, which related to the decision) If relevant, a note of the dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer:	N/A

Reason Decision, or supporting Report, is not published: <i>Tick one or more of the specific exemptions,</i> <u>and</u> <i>Give more information in the final box with regards to why the exemption applies and outweighs the public interest test (which is in favour of disclosure).</i>	✓	Not applicable – Decision [and report] to be published
	If Report is not to be published – tick one of the following boxes:	
		The report supporting the Decision contains confidential information
		The Report supporting the Decision falls within an exemption pursuant to Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 Information:
		• Relates to an individual
		• Likely to reveal the identity of an individual
		• Relating to financial or business affairs of a person or organisation
		• Relates to a claim for legal professional privilege in legal proceedings
		• Reveals that the Council proposes to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or to make an order or direction under any enactment
		• Relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime
And is exempt if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information Reasons: [insert]		

Officers

Signed:  Title: Corporate Director, Operations and Delivery

Signed: _____ Title: _____

In consultation with:

Signed:  **Portfolio Holder For Housing & Planning**

Signed: _____ **Section 151 Officer (if required)**

Signed: _____ **Monitoring Officer (if required)**

Dated: _____

