

**NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**CABINET – 3 MAY 2016**

Title of report	<b>AUTHORITY TO AWARD ENERGY CONTRACT</b>
Key Decision	a) Financial Yes b) Community No
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Purpose of report	The report requests that Cabinet delegates authority to award the energy framework agreement to the Interim Director of Resources in consultation with the Corporate Portfolio Holder.
Reason for Decision	The level of expenditure on this contract exceeds the authority threshold in the Scheme of Delegation.  To ensure the continuity of provision of energy to the Council.
Council Priorities	Value for Money.
Implications:	
Financial/Staff	Financial implications contained within existing budgets, no staffing implications
Link to relevant CAT	Not applicable
Risk Management	Not applicable
Equalities Impact Screening	Not applicable
Human Rights	Not applicable
Transformational Government	Not applicable

Comments of Head of Paid Service	The report is satisfactory.
Comments of Deputy Section 151 Officer	The report is satisfactory.
Comments of Deputy Monitoring Officer	The report is satisfactory.
Consultees	None
Background papers	<a href="#">Authority to Award Energy Contracts</a> - Cabinet 9 February 2016
Recommendations	<b>THAT CABINET DELEGATES AUTHORITY TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTRICITY FOR THE PERIOD 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2016 TO 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020 TO THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CORPORATE PORTFOLIO HOLDER.</b>

## 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 As reported to Cabinet in February 2016, since April 2016 the supply of all the council's electricity has been procured via an Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) framework agreement. Prior to April 2016, the energy contracts were split between two framework agreements - ESPO and Crown Commercial Services (CCS).
- 1.2 At the time of the previous report, the contract for electricity could only be awarded to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 as the framework had not been awarded past this date and that authority to award would be requested at the June meeting of Cabinet. ESPO have now awarded the framework to Total Gas and Power for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 and therefore the Council is in a position to award the contract.

## 2 PROCUREMENT ROUTE

- 2.1 The contract with ESPO for the supply of electricity expires on the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016. It is the intention to continue to use ESPO for the supply of electricity from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 using the recently awarded Electricity Framework agreement to Total Gas and Power. The estimated value of the contract for the four year period (1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020) is £950,000. This procurement route adheres to the requirements of the Constitution (paragraph 2.6 of the Contract Procedures Rules).
- 2.2 In order to award the above contract in relation to the supply of electricity for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020, Cabinet is requested to delegate authority to the Interim Director of Resources in consultation with the Corporate Portfolio Holder.