

Delegations to Officers in relation to contracts

Abbreviation	Meaning
CX	Chief Executive
DCX	Deputy Chief Executive
AD	Assistant Director
SM	Service Manager
MO	Monitoring Officer

Officer(s)	Subject	Delegation From	Power
CX, DCXs and ADs following consultation with the MO or S151 Officer	Contracts - contracting activities of any partnership for which the Council is the accountable body	Cabinet/Executive	(Note to Contract Procedure Rule 1) Authority to agree that Contract Procedure Rules do not apply to contracting activities of any partnership for which the Council is the accountable body
CX, DCXs, ADs and SMs subject to consultation with the appropriate portfolio holder (consultation is not required for (i) routine contracts (e.g. routine ongoing or annual maintenance contracts, routine purchasing of goods and equipment; routine servicing of vehicles etc); (ii) contracts for 1-off schemes where the scheme has been formally approved and where sufficient money has been allocated within the budget for the contract; and (iii) indirect services such as legal services or consultants for schemes which have been formally approved and where sufficient money has been allocated within the budget for the contract as such contracts are not closely connected to the discharge of the function.)	Contracts – letting (awarding) of contracts through framework agreement	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rules 2.1.4 and 8) Authority to let (award) a contract through any framework agreement to which the Council has access where considered expedient by a CO or a DCO subject to the scheme falling within the approved budget which includes the approved 5-year capital programme. (A decision notice must be published for each award of contract unless administrative or minor or not closely connected to discharge of function.) (The signing of contracts is dealt with separately below.)

Approval by the CX, S151 Officer and the Portfolio Holder for finance in advance of the award of contract	Contracts - variation or waiver (exemption) of Contract Procedure Rules	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rule 3.3) Authority to vary or waive any Contract Procedure Rules subject to complying with all relevant requirements of Rule 9, and subject to the scheme falling within the approved budget which includes the approved 5-year capital programme.
CX, DCXs, ADs and SMs	Contracts - assets for disposal	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rule 9.2) Authority to dispose of obsolete stocks, stores, or assets, other than land, subject to complying with Contract Procedure Rule 9.2.
CX, DCXs, ADs, SMs and any other officer with the written approval of the CX/DCXs/ADs/SM (any sub-delegations lasting more than 6 months must be reported to the MO)	Contracts - pre tender market testing and consultation	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rule 10.1) Authority to consult potential suppliers prior to issue of the Invitation to Tender or Request for Quotation subject to the scheme falling within the approved budget which includes the approved 5-year capital programme
CX, DCXs, ADs, SMs and any other officer with the written approval of the CX/DCXs/ADs/SM (any sub-delegations lasting more than 6 months must be reported to the MO)	Contracts – all values – seeking, receiving, and evaluating quotations/tenders for contracts for works, goods materials, and services, and hiring of consultants	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rules 7 (where a competition is required), 9.1.3 and 9.1.4, 11.0, 12.0, 14.0, 14.3, 16.1). Authority to request and receive tenders and quotations, and to evaluate tenders and quotations subject to compliance with the Contract Procedure Rules (as amended by any authorised variation or waiver) and subject to the

			<p>scheme falling within the approved budget which includes the approved 5-year capital programme. (The awarding and the signing of contracts are dealt with separately.)</p>
<p>CX, DCXs, ADs and SMs following consultation with the relevant portfolio holder (consultation is not required for (i) routine contracts (e.g. routine ongoing or annual maintenance contracts, routine purchasing of goods and equipment; routine servicing of vehicles etc); (ii) contracts for 1-off schemes where the scheme has been formally approved and where sufficient money has been allocated within the budget for the contract; and (iii) indirect services such as legal services or consultants for schemes which have been formally approved and where sufficient money has been allocated within the budget for the contract as such contracts are not closely connected to the discharge of the function.)</p>	<p>Contracts - awarding of contracts</p>	<p>Cabinet/Executive</p>	<p>(Contract Procedure Rules 5.1A,16.2) Authority to award contracts subject to compliance with the Contract Procedure Rules (as amended by any authorised variation) and subject to the scheme falling within the approved budget which includes the approved 5-year capital programme</p> <p>(Decision notices must be published for each award of contract unless administrative or minor or not closely connected with discharge of function.) (The signing of contracts is dealt with separately.)</p>
<p>CX, DCXs and ADs SMs – up to £85,000</p>	<p>Contracts – signing of contracts which are <u>not under seal</u></p>	<p>Cabinet/Executive</p>	<p>(Contract Procedure Rule 17.2) Authority to sign contracts which are not under seal, and which come within the jurisdiction of the officer concerned.</p> <p>(Contracts under seal must be signed only by officers who have specific authority to do so – set out in the</p>

			Council's Constitution
Officers of the Contracts team	Contracts - Authorised Officer of relevant team	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rules 14.2) Officers appointed as "Authorised Officer of relevant team"
CX, DCXs, ADs, SMs and any other officer with the written approval of the CX/DCXs/ADs/SM (Any sub-delegations lasting more than 6 months must be reported to the MO)	Clarification of an invitation to tender	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rule 15.1) Authority to provide clarification of an Invitation to tender
CX, DCXs, ADs, and SMs	Post tender negotiations	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rules 15.2 to 15.6) (at least 2 officers are required – see rule 15.6) Authority to undertake post tender negotiations
CX, DCXs, ADs and SMs In consultation with the relevant portfolio holder (consultation is not required for termination of low value or minor contracts (£15,000 or less))	Authority to terminate contracts	Cabinet/Executive	(Contract Procedure Rule 27) Authority to terminate contracts subject to consultation with the MO and S151 Officer