

## Notice of Urgent Key Decision

### **Urgent KD 05217/18/K/AB Grenfell United Centre and facilities management and leasing arrangements for 17 Old Court Place**

The above key decision, added to the Forward Plan on 29 January 2018 and full details of which are published on the Council website, will be taken by the Leadership Team on 6 February 2018 pursuant to the Urgency provisions in the Council Constitution\*:

#### **Access to Information classification**

The decision will be taken on the basis of a fully public report, which is available on the Council website, and an exempt Part B appendix not for publication by virtue of information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

#### **A summary of the decision is as follows:**

1. To approve an award of contract for the outsourcing of facilities management for both the FFAC and GUC (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> floors of 17 Old Court Place) to Action for Children from March 2018 until November 2020 at a total value as set out in the confidential Part B appendix. This cost will be offset via cost avoidance against the corporate AMEY Facilities Management contract that had been planned to deliver the service. The cost differential is considered value given the difference in the quality of the provision.
2. To agree that the Deputy Leader for the Council approves the sub-letting of the leases for the both the FFAC and GUC (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> floors of 17 Old Court Place) to Action for Children from March 2018 until November 2020, as per the Leadership Decision regarding the procurement of the leases from October 2017. This will facilitate greater independence in the operation of the two centres and is cost beneficial.

#### **The grounds of urgency are as follows:**

An urgent decision is required on staffing arrangements for the Grenfell United Centre, which is due for build completion on 5 February, to allow for a launch date of 14 February 2018. While the physical space will be ready on 14 February, the centre can't open without staffing. Provisional plans have been put in place to facilitate this (as outlined in the paper) and a decision of the Leadership Team is required on 6 February before the proposals can be implemented. It is not possible to give the 28-day statutory notification of the Key Decision so the decision is being taken under the urgency provisions as set out in the Council's Constitution."

## **Notification of the grounds for urgency**

Cllr Robert Thompson, Chairman of the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee, was notified about this decision at 18:30 hours on Monday 29 January 2018.

### **Robert Sheppard**

Head of Governance Services

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

#### **\* URGENCY PROVISIONS AS SET OUT AT SECTION 7.10 OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION**

##### **(e) Urgency Provisions**

*Where, on the grounds of urgency, publication of the intention to make a key decision is impracticable, that decision may still be made provided the chairman of the relevant scrutiny committee has been informed, in writing, a copy of the notice given to the chairman of the relevant scrutiny committee (or, in his or her absence, the vice-chairman) has been made available at the Council offices and published on the Council's website and five clear working days have elapsed following the day on which the notice was made available. As soon as reasonably practicable after this has been done the Council will publish a notice at the Council offices and on its website setting out the reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 is impracticable.*

##### **(f) Special urgency provisions**

*Where urgency makes compliance with (e) above impracticable, the decision may still be made provided the decision maker has obtained the agreement of the relevant scrutiny chairman that the making of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred and, thereafter, published a notice at the Council offices and on the website setting out the reasons that the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.*