

**REPORT TO CABINET**

**12 MARCH 2026**

**REPORT OF CORPORATE  
MANAGEMENT TEAM**

## **CABINET DECISION**

**Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Resources and Transport –  
(Councillor Paul Rowling)**

# **PROCUREMENT PLAN/ HIGHER VALUE CONTRACTS**

### **Summary**

This report seeks approval from Cabinet for the award of planned higher value contracts where the value exceeds the limit on officer delegated authority and which are either funded within the approved MTFP/ Capital Programme or are subject to a bid for external funding.

### **Reasons for Recommendation(s)/Decision(s)**

To enable Cabinet to exercise its strategic oversight of higher value planned procurement projects, in accordance with the constitution.

### **Recommendations**

That Cabinet

1. approves the contracts listed in Annex 1;
2. gives authority to the relevant Director or Assistant Director to make the specific contract award decision and any subsequent contract variation, annual inflationary uplifts (where allowed in the contract terms and conditions) and extension decision in accordance with the delegations listed in Annex 1;

### **Detail**

1. The constitution defines a range of decisions that require a specific Cabinet approval, the financial threshold for which is set at a level of £500k or more. Annex 1 lists contracts that exceeds the financial threshold and have not otherwise been delegated to officers.

2. Further Procurement Plan/ Higher Value Contracts Reports will be presented to Cabinet for approval during the year as details of new contracts needed to deliver capital schemes are developed or new revenue funded contracts are identified.

#### **Community Impact and Equality and Poverty Impact Assessment**

3. N/A

#### **Corporate Parenting Implications**

4. N/A

#### **Financial Implications**

1. The report includes higher value contracts expected to be awarded in the 2026/27 financial year. The expenditure committed as a result of these tenders/ quotes is planned and remains within the Council's approved budget/ MTFP/ Capital Programme or is subject to a bid for external funding which will ensure that at the point of contract award, funds are available within the MTFP/ Capital Programme.

#### **Legal Implications**

5. Notwithstanding Cabinet approval it remains the responsibility of officers to ensure that the correct processes within Contract Procedure Rules have been followed and that where applicable the Procurement Act 2023 or the Provider Selection Regime introduced by the Health and Care Bill (2022) is complied with.
6. Where the value of goods, services or works exceeds the threshold at which the procurement process must comply with the Procurement Act 2023, either a tender exercise or the use of a suitable framework agreement will comply with the Regulations.

#### **Risk Assessment**

7. There are several risks relating to procurement. Firstly, the Council spends a considerable amount of public money on goods, services and works. Having effective Contract Procedure Rules and ensuring compliance with the Procurement Act 2023 can help mitigate the risk of accusations of corruption and help demonstrate value for money and transparency. Secondly, effective tender/ quote processes and contract management also reduce the risk of poor supplier selection and subsequent performance which can impact service delivery.

#### **Wards Affected and Consultation with Ward/Councillors (refer to Concordat for Communication and Consultation with Members)**

8. N/A

#### **Background Papers**

9. N/A

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Annex 1

<b>Contract Title: NEPO214 - Grounds Maintenance Equipment and Plant</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b> The contract is required to supply equipment to maintain parks, open spaces, and highways to statutory standards, supporting essential services such as grass cutting, tree maintenance, and seasonal operations.	
<b>Contract Term (Framework)</b> Commencing 01/09/2026 or up to 4 years	
<b>Contract Term (SBC Call off)</b> Commencing 01/03/2027 for up to 4 years	
<b>Contract Value</b> The total spend over the 4-year duration is anticipated to be circa £1.7m (based on current contract rates).	
<b>Procurement Process</b> NEPO will carry out a tender process under Procurement Act 2023 to establish a framework agreement of suppliers from which to purchase/ hire of Grounds Maintenance Equipment and Plant.  The Council will then carry out a further competition call-off process from the new NEPO framework agreement to appoint a suitable supplier to supply Grounds Maintenance Equipment and Plant.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> Yes	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Reuben Kench, Director of Community Services, Environment and Culture	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Peer Advocacy</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
<p>To improve health, wellbeing, and life chances for people with multiple disadvantages in Stockton-on-Tees using an asset-based approach to working with individuals.</p> <p>The Peer Advocacy service will provide a peer-led, community-based programme for individuals over the age of 18 years, with at least three of the five of the following disadvantages: homelessness, substance misuse, domestic abuse, contact with criminal justice system and mental health issue. Support will be coordinated across the system, with specific links and interdependencies established with services that provide support for each of the specific disadvantages (e.g. substance misuse services). The service will also seek to recruit people with lived experience of multiple disadvantage as Peer Link Workers.</p>	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 01/07/2027 for a period of up to 3 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
£200k per year, subject to external funding from ICB Health Inequalities Funding.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will carry out an open tender under Procurement Act 2023 (Light Touch Regime), above threshold.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> No
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Carolyn Nice, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Framework Agreement for SBC Minor Works</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
<p>The Minor Works framework is required to appoint a framework of suppliers to provide services to the Council such as electrical works, roofing, footpath and carriage way minor repairs, flooring, windows, energy efficiency related measures and Disabled Facilities Grant extensions etc.</p> <p>This framework will be split into approximately 15 Lots and is required to purchase minor works services to maintain and improve the Council's buildings and other physical assets to ensure they remain safe and can meet operational requirements.</p> <p>The framework will be of particular interest to local SMEs, attract social value commitments and create an economic impact in the borough.</p>	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 01/10/2026 for a period of up to 8 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
Current annual spend is variable and dependent upon individual project requirements. Average annual spend over the last 4 years has been circa £1.97m.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will carry out an open tender process under Procurement Act 2023 to establish an open framework agreement of suppliers from which to purchase Minor Works.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> Yes	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Reuben Kench, Director of Community Services, Environment and Culture	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Further Competition from NEPO210 for Road Markings and Studs – Lot 16</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>  The contract will include the maintenance and refurbishment of superimposed road markings, cats eyes and road studs in recently re-surfaced roads or surface dressed roads.	
<b>Contract Term</b>  Commencing March 2027 for a period of 2 years with 2 x 12-month optional extensions.	
<b>Contract Value</b>  The current annual spend is circa £150k.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>  The Council will carry out a further competition from NEPO210 – Highway Surfacing Works Framework Agreement – Lot 16 Road Markings from which to purchase Road Markings and Studs.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Reuben Kench, Director of Community Services, Environment & Culture	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: NEPO219 Buildings Materials Open Framework</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
The supply of Building Materials such as plumbing and heating parts, electricals, doors, windows and extends as far as modular buildings.	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 03/01/2027 for a period of 8 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
Current annual spend is variable and dependent upon individual project requirements. Current annual spend is approx. £450K.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
NEPO will carry out a tender process under Procurement Act 2023 to establish a framework agreement of suppliers from which to purchase Buildings Materials.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Reuben Kench, Director of Community Services, Environment and Culture.	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Framework for Supported Living Services Smaller non-building-based schemes, with shared delivery hours</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
Supported Living Schemes for individuals with Learning Disabilities, Mental Health Conditions and Autism, who reside within the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees. Each of these schemes will involve a minimum of 2 supported individuals, with an element of shared service delivery.	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
The new contract will commence during 2026/27, ending March 2031.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
The current annual spend for these Supported Living Schemes are circa £3.3m.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will undertake an open tender process under Procurement Act 2023 (Light Touch Regime), to appoint providers the framework agreement.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> Yes	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Carolyn Nice, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Specialist Stop Smoking Service</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b> To reduce levels of Smoking and Vaping for Stockton-on-Tees' residents and improve health outcomes. The provision of a high-quality and evidence-based stop smoking services is a priority in reducing health inequalities and improving health among local populations to reduce the long-term impact on health and social care resources. Specialist Stop Smoking Services contribute to the ambitions of creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping.	
<b>Contract Term</b> Commencing 01/04/2027. The period of this contract is to be determined and is likely to be for a maximum duration of 5 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b> The current annual spend is circa £565k.	
<b>Procurement Process</b> The Council will consider the option of a direct award process allowed for within the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> Yes	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Carolyn Nice, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Further Competition from the Older People's Care Home Framework, for Reablement and Rehabilitation Beds in Care Homes</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b> To allocate designated Care Home setting(s) from which focused short-term community reablement and rehabilitation care services can be delivered.	
<b>Contract Term</b> The contract will commence in 2026/27 and end in March 2031.	
<b>Contract Value</b> The current annual spend is estimated to be £442k.	
<b>Procurement Process</b> The Council will run a further competition from the Older Peoples Care Home Framework Agreement.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Carolyn Nice, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Further competition from the Older People’s Care Home Framework - Single Gender Units in Care Homes</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>  To allocate a suitable Care Home setting(s) that is able to designate a bespoke area, which will be dedicated for the provision of residential care for male only residents.	
<b>Contract Term</b>  The contract will commence in 2026/27 and will end in March 2031.	
<b>Contract Value</b>  The current annual spend is estimated to be between £170-£260k.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>  The Council will run a further competition from the Older Peoples Care Home Framework Agreement.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Carolyn Nice, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Platform Refresh</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
Refresh of the Council's ICT Partnership (Xentrall Shared Services) server, storage, and data protection platform. The platform provides the underpinning infrastructure to operate virtual servers that operate most of the Council's line of business applications, in a highly available manner. The system also supports the data protection of these including off-site backups.	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 01/05/2027 for a period of 5 years with a 2-year optional extension period (contract to be agreed in 26/27FY).	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
The total contract cost is anticipated to be £1.4m over 7 years. Split SBC £960k / DBC £440.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will call off from a suitable framework agreement to allow the purchase of the Virtual Server Platform.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Ian Coxon, Finance, Transformation and Performance - Xentrall	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Managed Print Service</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
<p>The supply &amp; maintenance of multi-function print devices, associated hardware maintenance, consumables service, device fleet management, device replacements within the contract period, Managed Print Services software and the contract for per-click print costs which allow council staff to print / copy documents.</p> <p>This is a shared services contract for both SBC &amp; DBC</p>	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 26/09/2026 for a period of 5 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
The total contract cost is anticipated to be circa £791k over the 5 years based on current contract costs. Split SBC – £676,000 / DBC £115,000.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will call off from a suitable framework agreement to allow the purchase of the Managed Print Services Contract.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Ian Coxon, Finance, Transformation and Performance - Xentrall	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Azure CSP &amp; Additional Licenses</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
<p>The contract gives the Council practical tools that protect data, support access, and improve decision making. Offsite immutable backups keep information safe and recoverable if files are lost or systems are affected by a cyber incident.</p> <p>Azure supports our telephony platform so calls are routed to the right teams and the contact centre, helping residents reach us quickly.</p> <p>Power BI within Microsoft Fabric provides clear, timely reporting and analysis so services can track demand, monitor performance and target resources more effectively.</p> <p>Where eligible, academic licensing offers discounted pricing that reduces ongoing software costs compared with standard commercial rates.</p> <p>Together, these services strengthen our digital foundations, deliver better insight from data, and provide good value for money for the Council.</p>	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 19/07/2026 for a period of 3 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
The total contract cost is anticipated to be £220k per year (£660k total). Split SBC £132k / DBC £88k/ year.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will call off from a suitable established framework agreement to allow the purchase of the CSP licenses.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Ian Coxon, Finance, Transformation and Performance - Xentrall	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: Rolling Contract for Apprenticeship Training</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
The apprenticeship levy contract provides the Council with a means to offer apprenticeship training to employees in order to develop and upskill them.	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing 01/04/2026 for one year.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
Approximately £675,000 goes into the levy every year to fund apprenticeships. The spend is variable every year.	
The cost for 26/27 is difficult to determine as it is dependant of number of apprenticeships undertaken. The expenditure is anticipated to be in the region of £800k and the shortfall is funded from existing levy underspend in previous years.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will call off from a suitable established framework agreement to allow the purchase of high value apprenticeship Training such as Social Worker Degree, Children’s Residential training and Management Apprenticeships.	
Where the cost of the training exceeds the Council’s quotation threshold of £15K and more than one training provider can provide the training, a desktop selection process will be undertaken by the OD Lead and Service area to select an appropriate training provider.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> Yes	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Ged Morton, Director of Corporate Services	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Contract Title: ESPO Supply of Teachers and Temporary Staff</b>	
<b>Contract Purpose</b>	
To provide the Council with access to temporary education agency staff to fulfil our statutory requirement with regards to ensuring that all children are educated.	
<b>Contract Term</b>	
Commencing Sept 2026 for a period of 4 years.	
<b>Contract Value</b>	
Spend is variable depending on the number of temporary staff required. Expenditure for 24/25 was approximately £367k.	
<b>Procurement Process</b>	
The Council will carry out a further competition process from lot 1 of an ESPO Framework and award a contract to 4 providers.	
<b>Key Decision:</b> No	<b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes
<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Majella McCarthy, Director of Children’s Services	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	



<p><b>Contract Title:</b> Provision of Insurance Coverage &amp; Associated Services</p>	
<p><b>Contract Purpose</b></p> <p>Insurance for Property, Employer and Public Liability (both SBC staff and the public), Motor Vehicles, Fidelity Guarantee, and Travel.</p> <p>Insurance cover is needed to protect the Council against financial losses arising from operational risks, public liability, and unforeseen incidents. This is a statutory requirement.</p>	
<p><b>Contract Term</b></p> <p>3 year plus 2 x 12 month extensions 01/06/2026 – 31/05/2029 Ext 1 01/06/2029 – 31/05/2030 Ext 2 01/06/2030 – 31/05/2031</p>	
<p><b>Contract Value</b> Approx. £4,841,555 – including extensions</p>	
<p><b>Procurement Process</b></p> <p>A further competition will be carried via the ESPO/ NEPO Insurance Placement II Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).</p> <p>The DPS covers multiple classes of insurance which means different insurance companies may be appointed to provide specific types of insurance cover.</p>	
<p><b>Key Decision:</b> Yes</p>	<p><b>Funding within MTFP:</b> Yes</p>
<p><b>Delegated Officer:</b> Ged Morton, Director of Corporate Services</p>	
<p><b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.</p>	

## CAPITAL FUNDED CONTRACTS

<b>Department: Highways, Transport and Design.</b>	<b>Category: Carriageway resurfacing contract</b>
<b>Scheme: Carriageway resurfacing programme 26/27</b>	<b>Budget: £2,000,000</b>
<p><b>Contract(s) Purpose</b></p> <p>Stockton Borough Council has a statutory responsibility to maintain the highway network in a safe and serviceable condition. Extending the call off contract from the NEPO 210 Highway Surfacing and Cold Planing framework with Tarmac Trading Limited is essential to fulfilling this duty. The contract ensures the continued delivery of planned surfacing programmes that preserve the condition of the road network, reduce deterioration, and minimise costly reactive repairs.</p> <p>Without this contract in place, road defects would escalate, increasing risks to public safety and exposing the Council to potential legal claims for failing to meet its maintenance obligations. Poorly maintained roads would also disrupt local businesses, public transport, and emergency services, while limiting the Council’s ability to use sustainable construction materials and methods aligned with environmental objectives.</p> <p>Maintaining this contract is therefore critical to protecting public safety, managing financial risk, supporting the local economy, and delivering long term, sustainable highway improvements. The contract will be drawn down with spend in both capital and revenue budget areas.</p>	
<p><b>Contract(s) Value</b></p> <p>The projected spend for the next 12 months is £2m. The anticipated budget for 2026–2027 is £1.6m, with a further contribution of £400k from the Department for Transport (DfT) and Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA).</p>	
<p><b>Procurement Process</b></p> <p>The Council will call-off from the NEPO210 Framework (Lot 1) for Highway Surfacing Works.</p>	
<b>Key Decision:</b> Yes	<b>Funding within Capital Programme:</b> Yes
<p><b>Delegated Officer:</b></p> <p>Reuben Kench, Director of Community Services, Environment and Culture</p>	
<p><b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.</p>	

<b>Department: Children's Services</b>	<b>Category: School Investment Strategy SEN Investment</b>
<b>Scheme: Mill Lane Primary School SEND Project</b>	<b>Approved Budget: £1,700,000</b>
<b>Contract(s) Purpose</b> Refurbishment works and the construction of an extension at Mill Lane Primary School to create a Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Unit focused on supporting children with Speech, Language and Communication Needs	
<b>Contract(s) Value</b> £1.4m	
<b>Procurement Process</b> The Council will carry out a further competition under a suitable framework agreement to appoint a suitable contractor.	
<b>Key Decision: Yes</b>	<b>Funding within Capital Programme: Yes</b>
<b>Delegated Officer: Majella McCarthy</b> , Director of Children's Services	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Department: Children’s Services</b>	<b>Category: Education</b>
<b>Scheme: Northfield School &amp; Sports College Extension to Create Additional Toilet Facilities</b>	<b>Approved Budget: £1,250,000</b>
<b>Contract(s) Purpose</b> Construction of an extension to infill at courtyard at Northfield School & Sports College to create additional toilet provision	
<b>Contract(s) Value</b> £950k	
<b>Procurement Process</b> The Council will carry out a further competition under a suitable framework agreement to appoint a suitable contractor.	
<b>Key Decision: Yes</b>	<b>Funding within Capital Programme: Yes</b>
<b>Delegated Officer: Majella McCarthy</b> , Director of Children’s Services	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Department: Children’s Services</b>	<b>Category: School Investment Strategy SEN Investment</b>
<b>Scheme: St Johns Primary School SEND Project</b>	<b>Approved Budget: £5,555,058</b>
<b>Contract(s) Purpose</b> Refurbishment works and the construction of an extension at St Johns Primary School to create a 24-place SEND Unit	
<b>Contract(s) Value</b> £4.5m	
<b>Procurement Process</b> The Council will carry out a direct award from the NEPO Construction Framework. A direct award route is justified due to the urgent programme timescales, the complex phasing required to ensure continuity of educational delivery, and the necessity for Early Contractor Involvement to derisk design, logistics, sequencing and cost certainty prior to construction. The NEPO Construction Framework permits direct award where the supplier best meets the Council’s needs and where early engagement is essential for safe and efficient project delivery	
<b>Key Decision: Yes</b>	<b>Funding within Capital Programme: Yes</b>
<b>Delegated Officer: Majella McCarthy</b> , Director of Children’s Services	
<b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.	

<b>Department: Highways, Transport and Design</b>	<b>Category: Highways</b>
<b>Scheme: Stockton Town Centre Cycleway</b>	<b>Approved Budget: £5,500,000.00</b>
<p><b>Contract(s) Purpose</b></p> <p>Construction of a Stockton Town Centre Cycleway to create upgrades to cycling and walking infrastructure.</p>	
<p><b>Contract(s) Value</b></p> <p>£5.5m</p>	
<p><b>Procurement Process</b></p> <p>The Council will appoint through a direct award to the number one ranked contractor on the NEPO Civil Engineering and Infrastructure Lot 5 Framework for the delivery of the cycleway scheme. This route has been requested by the Tees Valley Combined Authority due to the project's original urgent programme requirements, the complex phasing needed to maintain safe and continuous access throughout the works, and the critical need for Early Contractor Involvement.</p> <p>Early engagement will help to derisk the design, optimise logistics and construction sequencing, and provide greater cost certainty ahead of mobilisation. The NEPO Civil Engineering and Infrastructure Lot 5 Framework permits direct award when a supplier demonstrably meets the Council's requirements and when early involvement is essential to ensure safe, efficient and timely project delivery</p>	
<p><b>Key Decision: Yes</b></p>	<p><b>Funding within Capital Programme: TBC,</b> funding is subject to receiving the TVCA grant and subsequent update of the Capital Programme. The contract will not be let until funding is secured.</p>
<p><b>Delegated Officer:</b></p> <p><b>Reuben Kench, Director of Community Services, Environment and Culture</b></p>	
<p><b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.</p>	

<b>Department: Regeneration &amp; Inclusive Growth</b>	<b>Category: Shopping Centre Investment</b>
<b>Scheme: Wellington Square Shopping Centre Car Park</b>	<b>Approved Budget: £1,000,000</b>
<p><b>Contract(s) Purpose</b></p> <p>Refurbishment of top deck of Wellington Square Shopping Centre car park. Surface is currently in very poor condition and has effectively failed. Works are required to repair, resurface and waterproof the top deck of the car park along with replacement of defective light fittings and redecoration of metal work.</p>	
<p><b>Contract(s) Value</b></p> <p>£770k</p>	
<p><b>Procurement Process</b></p> <p>The council's appointed property manager, Knight Frank, has carried out a full tender process and obtained quotes from five different contractors.</p>	
<b>Key Decision: Yes</b>	<b>Funding within Capital Programme: Yes</b>
<b>Delegated Officer: Tracey Carter, Director – Regeneration &amp; Inclusive Growth</b>	
<p><b>Checks and Balances:</b> Decision in consultation with other appropriate officers for professional advice to include Finance and Procurement. Legal for certain specified decisions.</p>	