

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING

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Report on Standing Orders Relating to Contracts - Update

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COMMUNITY STRATEGY THEME	Internal
CORPORATE PLAN THEME:	Improving Corporacy and Performance
KEY PRIORITY:	Financial and Asset Management
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APPENDICES	Standing Orders Relating to Contracts <i>The appendix to this report has been circulated electronically and a public inspection copy is available on request. (Please see front cover for details).</i>

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update the Council's Standing Orders relating to Contracts and obtain approval for their adoption

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is asked to RECOMMEND to Council that:

The updated Standing Orders relating to Contracts as set out in the attached appendix be adopted as part of the Council's Constitution and replace the existing Standing Orders relating to Contracts.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council's Standing Orders relating to Contracts are contained within the Constitution. They are made pursuant and for the purpose of Section 135 and Schedule 12, paragraph 42 of the Local Government Act 1972.
- 3.2 The Head of Legal and Democratic Services is the Officer responsible for maintaining and updating the Standing Orders relating to Contracts.

**4. KEY ISSUES**

The Council's Standing Orders relating to Contracts now require updating to take into account the latest changes in European legislation and advances in electronic procurement.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no direct financial implications.

**6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

These are detailed in paragraph 3

**7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The new Standing Orders relating to Contracts will be clear and up to date with current legislation and practice. Therefore they are less likely to be the subject of a challenge in the Courts.

**8. CONCLUSION**

The New Standing Orders relating to Contracts comply with the current legislation and best practice.

**9. CONSULTEES**

Head of Financial Services  
Financial Services Manager  
Corporate Procurement Officer  
Corporate Procurement Working Group

**10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

The Council's Constitution