

WARDS AFFECTED - ALL

CABINET 15 DECEMBER 2003

WAIVER OF CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES

Report of the Town Clerk & Corporate Director of Resources, Access & Diversity

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this Report is to advise Cabinet of Waivers to Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Town Clerk, as required by paragraph 4.2(b) of these Rules.

2 REPORT

2.1 Waivers of Contract Procedures Rules approved by the Town Clerk in the period July 2003 – November 2003 are as follows:

Scheme	Contract Procedure Rule Affected	Reason for Waiver
2.1(a) Highway Maintenance	Para 7.6 and 7.2b - Contract Receipt	The receipt deadline for tenders required clarification, resulting in a 12 hour extension being requested.
2.1(b) Upgrade of ISP line in Computer Suite, B Block	Para 5, 6 and 10 Competition Requirements	The pressing nature of providing the extra capacity meant that normal rules could not, on this occasion, be followed.
2.1(c) Glazing Works to Schools	Para 4.2b and 7.8a Financial Standing of a Tenderer	This waiver ensure that a water tight procedure is in place for the Contract Award.
2.1(d) Replacement Artificial Sports Pitches	Para 7, 8.1 and 10	The urgency of the works – to meet Health and Safety standards – was such that the laid down procedure would have delayed the start of work on site with the associated increased risk.

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2.1 (e) Extension to Beaumont Leys School	6.1(b) 7.3 (b) Competition requirements	Additional funding was offered to create three new teaching spaces (each for 30 students). The previous new build had only just been completed and this work was negotiated with the same contractor.

3 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That the Waivers be noted.

4 FINANCIAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this Report.

4.2 Legal Implications

Contract Procedure Rules may be waived only by the Cabinet or by the Town Clerk after consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and the decision shall record the extent to which Contract Procedure Rules have been waived and the reasons. The rule goes on to require that the Town Clerk reports such decisions to the Cabinet.

5 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Other Implications	Yes/ No	Paragraph References within this Report
Equal Opportunities		
Policy		
Sustainable and Environmental		
Crime and Disorder		
Human Rights Act		
Elderly Persons/People on Low Incomes		

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6 BACKGROUND PAPERS – Local Government Act 1972

Individual Waivers provided by relevant Departments

7 CONSULTATION

Legal Services and contributing Departments

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DECISION STATUS

Key Decision	No
Reason	N/A
Appeared in Forward Plan	N/A
Executive or Council	Cabinet
Decision	

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