

General Exception Procedure Notice Pursuant to Standing Order 17 and reg 10(1) and 10(3) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangement) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Directorate:

Communities

Confidential or Exempt [please state category of exempt information]

No

Decision Taker: Member Body or Officer [if officer please give name and title]

Cabinet

Proposed Date for Decision/ Time Period

28 January 2025

Summary of Matter

Approval to Procure EV infrastructure.

The Council has secured and received capital funding the Department for Transport's Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) fund. The LEVI fund's purpose is to support local authorities in England to work with chargepoint operators to improve the roll-out and commercialisation of charging infrastructure.

To maximise the impact of this funding, the Council has joined a consortium of 14 local authorities led by sub-national transport body Midlands Connect and intends to jointly procure chargepoints with Worcestershire County Council, Rutland County Council, Leicestershire County Council and Shropshire County Council. Worcestershire County Council's procurement team will lead the procurement of the contract. with Warwickshire County Council being intrinsically involved in the procurement process from start to finish

By working as a consortium, the Council has benefited from shared best practice and during procurement will save money on associated internal legal and procurement costs. The Council will attract significantly more private sector funding as a consortium member than if it proceeded alone. This funding will mean more chargepoints of a better quality are delivered - particularly in areas that would be commercially less attractive initially.

All LEVI funding made available to the Council will be spent on infrastructure within Warwickshire. There will be a standalone contract with the appointed provider, separate from other consortium members and tailored, where necessary, to meet requirements that work best for Warwickshire.

It is intended that the contract will be a fifteen year concession contract including on-going maintenance of the chargepoints.

Proposed Decision

That Cabinet,

1. Authorises the Executive Director for Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Planning to commence procurement activity as a joint exercise with Midlands Connect and Worcestershire County Council to appoint a provider to install, manage and maintain electric vehicle chargepoints across Warwickshire.
2. Authorises the Executive Director for Communities to award and enter into all relevant contracts following the above procurement process on terms and conditions acceptable to the Executive Director for Resources.
3. Endorse to Council the addition of £3,295,000 to the Capital Programme for the installation and ongoing management of electric vehicle chargepoints being procured under Recommendation 1 and to be funded from a grant awarded under the Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Fund and associated private sector investment.

If the proposed decision is made, would it be contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the policy framework or budget?

No

List of documents/reports provided

Draft Report to Cabinet

List of Background Papers

None

Is consultation proposed Yes/ No *[if yes, say who and how]*

No

Members of the public wishing to make comments on this matter should write to:

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Comments should be made by

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