DECISION UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Subject	Technical Work underpinning the forthcoming Gypsy and Traveller policy work is urgently needed, taking forward the Gypsy and Traveller Count. The work will also serve as evidence in at least 3 gypsy and traveller appeals as background evidence. Parish Councils and Councillors want the issue dealt with quickly which is currently beyond the resources of the team. More than three quotes were sought for the work and therefore this conforms with the Council's procurement process.		
Officer Requesting Decision	Development Strategy Manager		
Officer Making the Decision	Executive Director		
Authority for Decision	Delegated authority under 2.3(a) of the Council's Scheme of Delegations		
Recommendation	To approve the expenditure in association with the quote to take forward the work to progress the technical work		
Alternatives considered and rejected	Not to progress the technical work as quickly which may impact on the ability to take part in appeals, which may mean that externally, the Council's reputation is affected by not maximising the chances of defending the appeals. This option is rejected in order to ensure that appeals are defended as quickly as possible and the work is used in defending appeals.		
Decision	Approve		
Reason	To ensure Gypsy and Traveller Technical Work and progress it as quickly as possible.		
Date	23 September 2021		

Background Papers	Exempt for the purposes of regulation 9 of the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014
Decision record kept until	23 September 2027
Background papers kept until	23 September 2024

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