



CABINET - 2ND OCTOBER 2012

PUBLIC INTEREST TEST – EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS

SUBJECT: ICT SERVICES COLLABORATION

REPORT BY: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the Report referred to above and make the following recommendations to the Proper Officer:-

EXEMPTIONS APPLYING TO THE REPORT:

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) to any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority in the course of negotiations or contract for the acquisition of or disposal of supply of goods or services (paragraph 14)

FACTORS IN FAVOUR OF DISCLOSURE:

That there is a legitimate public interest in having full disclosure with regard to the way in which the Council enters into collaborative arrangements.

PREJUDICE WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THE INFORMATION WERE DISCLOSED:

The report contains detailed financial information of the background to this project and disclosure of this information could prejudice the successful implementation of the project.

MY VIEW ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST IS AS FOLLOWS:

That paragraph 14 should apply. I am mindful of the need to ensure transparency and accountability of the actions of a public authority but disclosure of the information contained in the Report at this stage could prejudice and compromise the successful implementation of the project.

RECOMMENDED DECISION ON EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE:

The Report should be presented on an exempt basis on the ground mentioned above.

Signed:

Dated: 20th September 2012.

Post: Head of Legal & Governance

I accept the recommendation made above.

Signed:

Proper Officer

Date: 20th September 2012

