DECISIONS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS

Decision title:	Award of single catering contract for Oxford Town Hall
Decision date:	2 August 2021
Source of delegation:	Constitution Part 4.4: All executive functions except the ones in Part 4.5, 4.6, and 4.7 are delegated to the officers in the senior management structure.
What decision was made?	To award the contract to Elegant Cuisine for the provision of the Town Hall Café and events catering following a competitive tender exercise.
Purpose:	A sole cater to provide both the event catering and café provision, which would assist targeting wider audiences and develop our product in current and new markets. A sole caterer will: 1. Bring our product in line with our competitors to make an attractive commercial offer 2. Enable income recovery from the pandemic and generate extra income as budgeted
	 Launch an improved product & service offering, to ensure our place in the market is appropriate to potential clients we wish to target Streamline the customer journey and improve the service we offer to our clients Improve the wider visitor experience to the Town Hall to tie in with the Museum opening in 2021
Reasons:	Elegant Cuisine was assessed as being the most economically advantageous supplier based on cost and quality following a procurement process undertaken in line with the Council's Constitution and Public Procurement Regulations.
Decision made by:	Decision taken by Nigel Kennedy, Head of Financial Services Decision taken in consultation with Susan Sale, Head of
Other options considered:	Law and Governance To maintain separate café provision and event catering – not preferred. With the café contract expiring in July 2021 and the new museum coming on line later in 2021 this was a perfect opportunity to review catering provision and move to a single catering contract, which has a number of benefits for the Council and service users.
Documents considered:	Award of contract report
Key or Not Key:	Not key
Wards significantly affected:	None
Declared conflict of interest:	None

This form was completed by:
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Date:

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30 July 2021

Approval checklist

Approver	Name and job title	Date
Senior officer(s)	Ian Brooke, Head of Community Services	2 August 2021
Head of Financial Services if	Nigel Kennedy, Head of Financial Services	2 August 2021
Head of Law and Governance if	Susan Sale, Head of Law and Governance	29 July 2021