

## Record of Executive Decision(s)

### 1. Subject of decision

Home Upgrade Grant (HUG2)- Appointment of delivery partner

### 2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

Peter Mennell, Director of Housing and Property Services

### 3. Details of any Conflict of Interest and any Dispensation granted in respect of such Interest

NA

### 4. Executive summary (taken from written report)

On 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 the Authority was invited to present an indicative bid to The Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) (now Department of Energy Security and Net Zero) under the Home Upgrade Grant Phase 2 (HUG2) to improve the energy efficiency of “off gas” properties in the borough. Subsequently the Authority was notified that an amount of £621,000 could be made available to support the improvement of 30 homes between 2023 and 2025.

The award of grant was conditional on the Authority entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Department of Energy Security and Net Zero to allow the drawdown of funding and project mobilisation. Such a Memorandum of Understanding was duly entered into on 20 April 2023.

This report deals with the subsequent procurement and appointment of a delivery partner to deliver the qualifying energy efficiency measures and the entering into of the Grant Funding Agreement with E.ON Energy Solutions. This procurement was included in the Procurement Plan 2023/24 that was approved by Cabinet on 27 March 2023 and which gave delegated authority to the Director of Housing and Property Services to commence the procurement exercise and to award a contract to the successful bidder in accordance with UK public procurement legislation.

An existing compliant procurement framework has been utilised to appoint E.ON Energy Solutions as an appropriate delivery partner.

Negotiations for a Grant Agreement with Eon Energy Solutions have now been concluded to the satisfaction of all parties.

## 5. Alternative Options considered

Director of Housing and Property Services may not approve the recommendations.

## 6. Decision(s)

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That the Director of Housing and Property Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, Director of Resources and the Head of Law enter into the Grant Funding Agreement with E.ON Energy Solutions.

## 7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

By appointing an appropriate contractor, the Authority can fulfil its requirements under the Grant Funding Agreement with the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) for the installation of 30 energy efficiency measures in the homes of low income and vulnerable households in the borough.

## 8. Date Decision Made

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

**9. Is this decision subject to call-in and if so expiry date of call-in period**

Yes, the call-in period expires at 5.00pm on 13 October 2023

**10. Date of Publication**

6 October 2023

**11. Implementation Date (if decision not called in)**

After 5.00pm on 13 October 2023

Note: \*The report in relation to the above decision is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.