

## Record of Delegated Executive Decision(s)

### 1. Subject of decision

North Tyneside Local Improvement Finance Trust (LIFT Co) Strategic Partnering Agreement

### 2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

Jon Ritchie, Director of Resources

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

None

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

As a shareholder of the Newcastle and North Tyneside LIFT company (NNT LIFT Co), the Directors of the NNT LIFT Co are seeking Shareholder Consent from North Tyneside Council (and all other Shareholders) to extend the existing 20-year Strategic Partnering Agreement (SPA) at Appendix 1 by an additional 5 years.

The SPA, which has the consent of North Tyneside Council, was established on 11 May 2004 and is due to expire on 10 May 2024. The SPA provides an option to extend the term by a further 5 years where the participants to the SPA agree it would be beneficial to the provision of health and/or social care.

The proposal to extend the SPA has already been approved by the NNT LIFT Co Board (of which North Tyneside Council is a member) and is subject to Shareholder Consent.

This report therefore asks the Director of Resources on behalf of the Authority, as a Shareholder of the NNT LIFT Co, to agree to the proposal as set out above.

## **5. Alternative Options considered**

To not agree to the extension of the SPA as outlined in the report.

To request Officers to undertake further work on the arrangements associated with the NNT LIFT Co.

## **6. Decision(s)**

The Director of Resources agreed to the proposals as outlined in the report to extend the SPA by an additional 5 years from 10 May 2024.

## **7. Reasons for the Decision(s)**

This SPA gives exclusive rights to develop proposals to meet the NHS participants' accommodation requirements throughout the period of the SPA. The local public service sector shareholders (including North Tyneside Council) have not granted any exclusivity through the SPA but may choose to use the LIFT Co to procure facilities and services by including certain projects in the Strategic Service Development Plan. All work delivered to date, has primarily involved the planning, design, construction of modern buildings for the provision of primary and community health care and a range of community and personal social services. In agreeing to this option, there will be no impact on North Tyneside Council by extending the SPA, but it will provide a partnering framework and procurement vehicle to deliver serviced accommodation without the need for further recourse to Europe-wide procurement.

## **8. Date Decision Made**

25/03/2024

***To be completed by Democratic Services***

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

5pm on Wednesday 3 April 2024

**10. Date of Publication**

25 March 2024

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

After 5pm on Wednesday 3 April 2024

\*\* Note - the above-mentioned report is 'Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972'.