## **West Sussex County Council**

## Proposed Executive Decision for 23 March 2022 call-in deadline 5 p.m. on 1 April 2022

The following proposed key decision has been endorsed by an officer and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

<b>Decision Title &amp; Ref</b>	Extension of the Central Buying Consortium Library Group
No:	Framework Agreement for Library Books and Audio Visual
	Materials OKD59 (21/22)
Officer responsible for	Emily King - Assistant Director (Communities)
Decision	
<b>Electoral Divisions</b>	All Divisions
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	West Sussex County Council (WSCC) is the lead authority for Library books and other Library Services, on behalf of the Central Buying Consortium (CBC).  In August 2019 decision ref: FRC01 2019/20 agreed the commencement of a procurement process for a new Framework Agreement for Library Books and Audio-Visual materials for the CBC Library Group. In December 2019, the Acting Executive Director Place Services approved the award of a Framework Agreement to Askews and Holts
	Library Services Ltd for the provision of Library Books and AV on behalf of the Central Buying Consortium (CBC) Library Group, Decision Report Ref: OKD29 2019/20.  The Framework was procured with an initial contract period of 2 years with the option to extend by up to a further 2 years. The initial contract period is due conclude at the end of March 2022 and it is proposed to take up the option of extending the Framework for a further 2 years.  The Assistant Director (Communities) will now be asked to approve the extension of the Framework by a further 2 years from April 1st 2022.
Decision	The Assistant Director (Communities) has approved the extension of the CBC Library Group Framework Agreement for Library Books and Audio Visual Materials for a further 2 years from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None.
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<b>Background Papers</b>	See report for details