

Officer Decision Record – Executive Decision

If Key Decision: Decision Ref. No.

B 037/25

If not a Key Decision write n/a above

OFFICER DECISION RECORD ⁱ

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Subject: Supply of a Turntable Ladder: Proposed Award of Contract

Type of Decision: Executive

Key Decision (Executive Functions only): Yes

Executive Member/Committee Chairman: Morris Bright

Portfolio (Executive Functions only): Community Protection

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1. Decision

To purchase a 42 Metre Turntable Ladder vehicle.

2. Reasons for the decision

The Turntable ladder can be used for rescues from height, both at fires and special services and delivering large quantities of water to higher locations (Tall buildings). The vehicle will replace an Aerial Ladder Platform (ALP) which has reached its end of life (20 years) as part of the vehicle replacement programme.

3. Alternative options considered and rejected

The council issued an invitation to tender using the Devon & Somerset FRS Framework Agreement DS339-20 Emergency Response Vehicles for UK Fire & Rescue Services. One tender was received in response to this invitation.

The Turntable Ladder was chosen over an Aerial Ladder Platform by the working group. The Turntable Ladder is a smaller more manoeuvrable vehicle and quicker to deploy.

4. Consultation (*see Summary of Requirements below*)

Was any Councillor consulted? Yes

If yes:

(a) Comments of Executive Member

No concerns with purchase, budget allocated is agreed.

(b) Comments of other consultees

None

5. Any conflict of interest declared by a councillor who has been consulted in relation to the decision

None

6. Following consultation with the Executive Member/Committee Chairman, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.

Signed: Darren Cook

Title: Assistant Chief Fire Officer

Date: 13 March 2025

Copies of record to:

- All consultees

- hard & electronic copy (if required to be made available for public inspection) to Democratic Services Manager - Room 213 County Hall.ⁱⁱ

Summary of Requirements to Inform/Consult Councillors

Significance of Proposed Action	Controversial	Relevant Councillor(s) to be Consulted
Technical/Professional/ Routine	No	No need to inform or consult councillors
Technical/Professional/ Routine	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member and, where appropriate, Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Relevant Committee Chairman and, where appropriate, Local Councillor
Local	No	Executive Functions: Inform Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Inform Local Councillor
Local	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Consult Local Councillor
General or County-wide	No	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) Non-Executive Functions: Consult relevant Committee Chairman
General or County-wide	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) and the Leader of the Council Non-Executive Functions: Consult relevant Committee Chairman/Leaders all Political Groups