Decision taken

Made by an Executive Member or Chief Officer



Notice of Decision Made

Decision maker	Deputy Chief Executive & City Treasurer
Date of decision	15th November 2022
What is the decision?	The approval of expenditure of £3.279m for Future Council Infrastructure Implementation – Hybrid Cloud Programme expenditure to allow Manchester City Council ICT to create a Hybrid Cloud Programme that will refresh aging infrastructure and support its strategy to move to cloud-based technology solutions. This follows council approval of the funding on 5 th October 2022.
Reasons for the decision (but excluding any exempt or confidential information)	The approval will enable the implementation of the ICT Hybrid Cloud Strategy, being a key enabler in the delivery of ICT strategic objectives over the next 5 years. The Hybrid Cloud Strategy outlines a shift in how ICT systems and applications are hosted within the Council to make further use of public cloud technologies. The key benefits or cost avoidance opportunities include. We only pay for what we use and no longer require significant investment upfront for capacity we may never need and as more applications move to the cloud it reduces the requirement for costly 5-year hardware replacement programmes. It will also compliment the Council's carbon reduction targets
Alternatives considered and rejected	There are no benefits to replacing existing infrastructure like for like with the size of capacity needs growing, there would be a continuing and costly capacity provisioning and redundancy issue due to the aging applications. A full cloud migration would need all applications and associated infrastructure suitable for public cloud hosting or support by the vendors as Software as a Service offering. This is not the case for many critical MCC applications, and it is not practical or possible to change or replace these applications and migrate to a Cloud solution by Oct 2024. A Hybrid cloud option provides best fit.
Interests Declared	none
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Register of Key Decisions

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OR – if not published in the Register of Key Decisions		
Reasons for special urgency such that this was not published in a Register of Key Decisions		

Scrutiny Call In

Call-in deadline	23 November 2022 at 4:00pm	
OR – if Exempt from Call-in		
Advice as to how any delay would seriously prejudice the legal or financial position of the Council		
Scrutiny Chair who agreed the urgency		

Date this notice was published	16 November 2022
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