

ONESOURCE JOINT COMMITTEE	18 March 2016
Subject Heading:	Proposed variation to the oneSource legal agreement
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Financial summary:	Nil
Is this a Key Decision?	N/A

SUMMARY

This report notifies the joint committee that a request has been received for a variation to the oneSource legal agreement. The request is currently being processed in accordance with the terms as set out in the legal agreement. A verbal update will be provided at the meeting if available.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Joint Committee is asked to note the report.

REPORT DETAIL

1. Background

- 1.1 In 2014, the London Boroughs of Havering and Newham agreed to establish and participate in a joint committee to facilitate the joint delivery of certain of their functions. A legal agreement was therefore entered into in reliance of the rights given to local authorities to undertake administrative arrangements, as set out in local government legislation.

2. Requested variation to the legal agreement

- 2.1 Clause 13 of the legal agreement sets out the process that is to be followed where a request for a variation is made.
- 2.2 A request has been submitted by the London Borough of Newham for a variation to Schedule 1 – Constitution of the Joint Committee; for non-executive members to be appointed to the Joint Committee.
- 2.3 A second request has also been received from the London Borough of Newham for a variation to Schedule 2 – Delegated Functions and Shared Services. The variation is to remove 'Democratic Services, Committees and Partnerships, and Scrutiny' from the London Borough of Newham portfolio of shared services within oneSource.
- 2.4 The request is currently being considered in accordance with the timescales as set out in Clause 13.2. At time of writing, a decision has yet to be made. Should that position change prior to the meeting, a verbal update will be provided.

REASONS AND OPTIONS

3. Reasons for the decision:

- 3.1 The Joint Committee is not required to make a decision in respect of the request for a variation to the legal agreement.

4. Other options considered:

- 4.1 None.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

5. **Financial implications and risks**

5.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

6. **Legal implications and risks**

6.1 Clause 13 of the legal agreement outlines the process to be followed in instances where a request has been made for a variation.

7. **Human Resources implications and risks:**

7.1 There are no human resources implications and risks associated with this report

8 **Equalities implications and risks:**

8.1 There are no direct equalities implications of this decision.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None