

NORTH EAST JOINT TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

RECORD OF URGENT DECISION BY LEAD CHIEF EXECUTIVE FOR TRANSPORT

Consultation and Agreement

- The Chair of the Joint Transport Committee has been consulted on this matter and has agreed that it is appropriate for the **Lead Chief Executive for Transport** to use the delegated powers given to make an urgent decision.

The Chair agreed that this decision is urgent because of the need to progress activity in relation to the inclined lifts at the Tyne Pedestrian and Cycle Tunnels. This matter cannot be left until the next meeting of the Joint Transport Committee on 13 July 2021.

Record of the Decision

1. Subject of Decision

Tyne Pedestrian and Cycle Tunnels Update – appointment of contractor to carry out remedial works

Thematic Lead Area

Transport

2. Executive Summary

To appoint a contractor to complete the works to the inclined lifts

3. Why the Decision is Urgent

Lift Design Ltd have confirmed their willingness to accept the appointment to carry out the required works; however, due to other contracts they are committed to in the near future, they have highlighted the need to start the works in the week commencing 5 July 2021. On the basis this appointment needs to be made in advance of the meeting of the JTC on 13 July. It is not practical to convene a quorate extraordinary meeting.

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4. Decision

4(a) To agree the appointment of Lift Design Ltd to carry out works to the inclined lifts as detailed in the attached report.

4(b). If Exempt or Confidential, please provide a reason:

Confidential – Not for publication by virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The report contains Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

5. Alternative options considered

The option to delay the appointment until the meeting of the JTC on 13 July 2021 was rejected as an earlier start on site is necessary due to other commitments of the contractor.

6. Reason for Decision

To progress with the remedial works to the inclined lifts and their completion by a suitably competent contractor within a reasonable timeframe.

7. Date of consultation with the Monitoring Officer for Transport and their relevant comments

Date: 5 July 2021
Comments: None

8. Date of consultation with Chief Finance Officer and their relevant comments

Date: 5 July 2021
Comments: The cost of the works will be funded from the Tyne Tunnels reserve.

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Date of the Decision 5 July 2021

Signature of the Decision-Maker 

The decision can be implemented as soon as the Urgent Decision Record has been signed by the decision maker but must still be published by Democratic Services within three working days.

Please return the following to Emma Reynard in Democratic Services (emmareynard@gateshead.gov.uk) **within 2 working days of the decision having been taken.**

- A Word version of the completed Urgent Decision report
- A Word version of the completed Urgent Decision Record
- A scanned PDF version of the completed and signed Urgent Decision Record

