

## PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION RECORD

<b>Portfolio Holder:</b> Councillor S Imafidon, Portfolio Holder for Heritage (except Wisbech High Street Inspire! Projects), Assets, FFL, Environmental Services, Business Premises: Health & Safety and Food Safety	<b>Service:</b> Economic Growth & Assets
<b>CMT Officer:</b> Peter Catchpole, Corporate Director and Chief Finance Officer, <b>Lead Officer:</b> Mark Greenwood, Head of Property, Assets and Major Projects	<b>Delegated Power Being Exercised:</b> Table 5
<b>Subject of Decision:</b> Renewal of Fenland District Council Gas Supply Contract	

<b>Decision Taken:</b> To agree to the extension of the existing gas Supply contract via ESPO Procurement for a period from 1/4/27 to 31/3/31.	
<b>Reason for the Decisions:</b> The present contract with Total Energies is due to expire on the 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2027.  With the current fluctuations in energy costs FDC have partnered with ESPO Procurement a subsidiary of Leicestershire County Council to source the most advantageous long term gas supply contract.	
<b>Alternative Options Considered</b> (if appropriate): The requirement to have a gas supply contract in place cannot be avoided and in approaching a supply specialist procurement organisation and one owned by another local government organisation represents the most secure and cost-effective solution currently available.  The procurement process has been overseen by the FDC procurement manager and is compliant with the rules presently in place,	
<b>Background/Reports/Information</b> considered and attached: Procurement portal protocols and comparison pricing options	
<b><u>Legal and Procurement Implications</u></b>  As set out above.  <b><u>Financial Implications</u></b>  The price of gas will be fixed for the duration at £0.60p per therm with no standing charge applicable.  Based on projected use this will result in a projected contract value of £336K over the term of the contract	
Portfolio Holder Signature:	Date: 13 April 2026

Councillor S Imafidon, Portfolio Holder for Assets	
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Councillor C Boden, Leader of the Council	
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<b>Date copy passed to Democratic Services</b> 13/04/26	<b>Implementation Date: 20 April 2026 (if not called-in) (Allow 5 clear working days after publication of decision)</b>
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