16 UPGRADE TO IBM CONTRACT (AN126-2008)

The Council's main central servers are provided by IBM UK on a lease basis. To facilitate joined-up services and eliminate the need to duplicate information on separate servers, applications and services are continually being migrated to the IBM central platform.

To continue to meet the increasing demand on this core central IT resource this Central server capacity requires to be upgraded. Upgrading this system will also facilitate removal of legacy server systems.

An IBM quotation has been received and is based on the Council's approved CATALIST procurement policy. This quotation is recommended for approval. The additional cost of the upgraded service will be £21,009.94 per annum for six years.

The cost of this contract will be funded from the existing IT Division Revenue Budget.