

3 THE MAPPING SERVICES AGREEMENT (MSA) 2005-2009 (AN 412-2005)

Until 2004 the City Council had an agreement with Ordnance Survey to supply mapping products, based on an annual fee, which was known as a Service Level Agreement (SLA).

In 2005, the Local Government Information House (LGIH), the lead negotiator for the consortium of 550 local authorities nationwide, was required under European Legislation to tender the SLA and a number of interests were expressed.

Following an evaluation process, Ordnance Survey, InterMap and Intelligent Addressing were chosen as providers and a Mapping Services Agreement (MSA) was drawn up.

Ordnance Survey is to supply the basic map data, InterMap the Digital Terrain and Surface Modelling functions and Intelligent Addressing the data for gazetteer maintenance.

The new MSA has now been concluded at a cost of £30,800 representing a saving of £11,500. This will be met from the Economic Development Revenue Budget. Police and Fire Joint Boards will now be separately invoiced for their agreements by LGIH.

LGIH has calculated that, with the amount and forms of data now required for GIS, the cost of a stand alone agreement with Ordnance Survey, for this Council, would be £100,000 a year.

The cost of Ordnance Survey support was £37,000 for 2004/05 and was to be £42,291 for 2005/06. The Committee is asked to note this agreement will enable the recently approved GIS strategy to proceed apace and provide best value for the next 4 years.