

CABINET MEMBER DECISION

26 May 2022

KEY DECISION: YES

Contract Award for Ground Floor Redevelopment

1. Decision:

- 1.1 Approval to award the contract retrospectively to R.A. Edwards & Partners Limited.

2. Statement of Reasons:

- 2.1 The Being a Better Council programme covers a number of change projects to support the Council in becoming Better Equipped, Better Led and Better Performing.
- 2.2 R.A. Edwards & Partners Limited has been identified as the preferred supplier and have submitted a cost of £135,000 for the works. We will include an additional contingency of £5,000 to cover any unforeseen requirements that may be identified.
- 2.3 The Connects Customer Service team are based on the ground floor of the building as they operate the front of house and a call centre. The team's offices have not been changed for over 20 years and now need some improvements to bring the area up to standard along with the rest of DCH office accommodation.

3. Any Alternative Options:

- 3.1 Do nothing – this will maintain the status quo
- 3.2 Seek alternative accommodation – this option has been considered and unfortunately no suitable available site has been identified

Cabinet Member for Leisure, Parks and Street Cleansing

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