Decision under Delegated Powers for Lease and Contract for Electric Vehicle Charge Points at Sileby and Anstey Car Parks

Officers Requesting Decision

Sustainability Development Officer and Car Parks and Civil Enforcement Manager

Officer Making the Decision

Director of Commercial and Economic Development

Decision

To approve the Lease and Contract for Electric Vehicle Charge Points at Sileby and Anstey Car Parks with Electric Blue Ltd

Reasons

To deliver Electric Vehicle Charge Points under the On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS), the Council needs to enter into a lease and contract agreement with an equipment supplier and service operator. The chosen 'framework' supplier and operator being Electric Blue Ltd.

Authority for Decision

Chapter 8 SCHEME OF DELEGATION TO OFFICERS (Sept 2022)

Section 8.3 Delegation of Executive functions: Delegations to the Chief Executive, Directors and Heads of Service:

Item 3. To sign contracts up to a value of £50,000 entered into on behalf of the Council in the course of the discharge of an executive function.

Item 7. To submit bids for and enter into agreements for grants and other funding sources up to a value of £200,000 per annum.

Decision and Date

Approved on 9 Jan 2023

Justin Henry Director Of Commercial and Economic Development

Background

The On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS) operated by the government Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) has agreed funding for Electric Vehicle Charge Points at King Street car park in Sileby and the Nook

car park in Anstey. The purpose of the ORCS scheme is to increase the availability of on-street charging points within easy reach of residential streets where off-street parking is not available, thereby ensuring that on-street parking is not a barrier to realising the benefits of owning a plug-in electric vehicle.

The Council has been working with Electric Blue Ltd. To design and install a scheme for Electric Vehicle Charge Points (EVCP) at Sileby and Anstey car parks. Electric Blue will install and maintain seven 7kW, twin fast chargers for a seven-year period under a lease agreement. After seven years the council can either extend the contract or take ownership and liability for maintenance/operation. The funding model requires 10% contributions from the local authority with the remainder made up by 15% from Electric Blue and 75% from OLEV grant. The charging points would be connected to Electric Blue's own meters and electricity they use directly to Electric Blue. Should there be any surplus profit it would be returned to the Council although this is not expected to be significant.

In order to show a return on their investment and secure a long term arrangement on the site, Electric Blue are entering into a 'framework' contract arrangement with the Council. A previous Delegated Decision [DD168 2020] details the authorisation to use Electric Blue as the framework supplier under procurement rules.

The lease agreement is also required to legally allow the supplier to occupy the Council's land and operate the EVCP equipment.

Charnwood Borough Council project team has been supported by the Legal Services department to ensure all legal and due diligence checks have been carried out.

Financial Implications

The scheme is jointly funded from 75% ORCS funding, 10% Charnwood Borough Council funding and 15% EB Ltd.

Site No.	Street name	Postcode	No. chargers	No. bays	DNO connection cost	Hardware cost	Installation cost incl. signage, safety bollards, bay marking	TOTAL	
1	The Nook, Anstey	LE7 7DU	4	8	£11,353	£11,187	£13,681	£36,221	
2	King Street, Sileby	LE127LZ	3	6	£17,067	£8,390	£16,776	£42,233	
TOTAL								£78,454	
OZEV 75%									
Charnwood Council Contribution 10%									
EB contribution 15%									

A breakdown of the finances is detailed in the table below:

DD 168 2020 identifies funding from CBC :

"There is sufficient funding available through the remaining Carbon Management Plan Capital or Carbon Neutral Action Fund capital to support this project." OLEV funding has already been received and allocated to the appropriate budget code - the carbon neutral action fund.

There are no on-going revenue costs associated with the contract and lease. Electric Blue Ltd will occupy the land where the EVCPS are sited. There are no rental costs associated with this.

There may be some small surplus income should the number of vehicles using the equipment be significant. It is not anticipated that there will be any income in the first few years and the income will otherwise be relatively small. The income will be coded to M525, Car Parks District.

Risk Management

There are no significant risks identified. Any financial risk is neglible.

Risk Identified	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Management Actions
			Planned
Early terminantion of the contract	L	L	Covered in the legal document termination clause.
results in costs to the Council			CBC long term commitment to EV projects

Key Decision:

No

Background Papers: