

***Delegated Decisions by Deputy Leader of the Council - Tuesday, 19 October 2010***

***Statement of Decision***

**Present:**

Councillor David Robertson, Deputy Leader of the Council

Officers: Peter Clark, County Solicitor & Monitoring Officer  
Geoff Malcolm, Principal Committee Officer

**Documentation considered:**

Report **Provision of External Legal Support**

*A copy is attached to the signed copy of this decision.*

**Cabinet Member's Comments**

**Decision**

Having regard to the information set out in the report before me (CMDDL4), I confirm my decisions on this matter as follows:

- (a) to authorise the Council's entry into a framework contract arrangement under which legal services would be available from a panel of selected external solicitors, such arrangement to be put in place in conjunction with the other Oxfordshire authorities and other public sector bodies;
- (b) to award the External Legal Advice Contract to the eight Firms listed within the report; and
- (c) to authorise the Legal & Democratic Services to enter into the proposed "Legal Hub" and similar partnership working arrangements, under which it would be able to both receive and supply legal services within and outside the geographical boundary of Oxfordshire County as one of the participating public sector bodies.

Signed .....  
Deputy Leader of the Council

Date .....2010