

Your reference number is ECPR384547757.

Thank you for submitting Exemption from Contract Procedure Rules - Request Approved

**First name:** Andrew

**Last name:** Cox

**Email address:** Andrew.Cox@watford.gov.uk

**Job title:** Group Head of Transformation

**Section / Department:** Transformation

**Exemption category:** Exceptional Circumstances

**Details / Circumstances / Explanation of why an exemption was required:** The previous contract for these services was terminated under the Termination at Will clause. There is insufficient time to complete a new procurement process due to the grant funding timelines and therefore an exemption is required to allow the Direct Award of the contract.

This exemption will enable the Direct Award of this contract to Morgan Sindall (Overbury) under the Pagabo framework, which has provision which allows Direct Award. The council can be assured of the value for money as the rates and pricing provided by Morgan Sindall (Overbury) are in line with those received from the procurement process for the original contract (competitive process against a different framework) with any discrepancies clearly explained and justified.

**Attach copy of email(s) if appropriate:**

**Contract Title:** Town Hall and Colosseum PSDS Pre-construction Services Agreement

**Vendor / Contractor:** Morgan Sindall (Overbury)

**Date Contract let:** 13/12/2021

**Term / Duration of Contract:** 3 months

**End date:** 13/02/2022

**Total Value of Contract:** £237,000

**WBC Contract Manager name:** Peter Vickerstaff

**WBC Contract Manager email:** peter.vickerstaff@watford.gov.uk

**Comments / Other Information:**

**Date:** 14/12/2021

**Group Head of Service approving / rejecting::** Andrew Cox

**Decision:** Approve and forward to the Managing Director

**Comments (optional):**

**Date:** 10/12/2021

**Decision:** Approve the request

**Comments (optional):** These exceptional circumstances present a situation which could cause significant disruption to Council services and there has been significant market engagement undertaken to justify value for money.

**Managing Director:** Donna Nolan

**Date:** 14/12/2021

**Name of the Portfolio Holder informed:** Councillor Mark Watkin

**Date the Portfolio Holder was informed:** 14/12/2021

**Date reported to Cabinet (If over £100K):** 17/01/2022