

**EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR  
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**ITEM 8: MICROSOFT ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT**

On 29 November 2018, the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board agreed to support the two recommendations in the report to the Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT.

Prior to reaching the above conclusions, the Board received clarification and explanations on several points and the following are highlighted:

- Although the Microsoft Enterprise Agreement would be procured through a supplier, Microsoft would still provide the support as part of the package and therefore there was no risk to the Council if the supplier ceased to exist.
- In relation to cloud storage, the Council was not tied to Microsoft, and could look at alternative providers such as Amazon or Google to ensure best value for money.
- Confirmation was provided that the predicted £500,000 savings was achievable and could be realised.
- The development of the IMT Strategy would help the Council to identify potential applications and providers earlier in the process as the market develops.