

## 6.4 Financial Reports

### 6.4.1 Contract 18-028 Extension - Neutral Vendor Managed Services

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#### Recommendation(s)

That Council extends contract CT18-028 Neutral Vendor Managed Services to Comensura Pty Ltd for a further term of eleven months, with an expiry date of 30 September 2023.

#### Attachments

Nil

#### Executive Summary

MAV Procurement has advised Cardinia that an extension is available for their Neutral Vendor Managed Service contract, with a new expiry date of 30 September 2023.

#### Background

MAV Procurement creates collaborative contracts to enable best value outcomes for councils to utilise at their discretion. Cardinia Shire has used the Neutral Vendor Managed Service contract since 2018 to remarkable success. The contract allows Cardinia to utilise the Comensura product, which acts a conduit connecting temporary labour hire agencies to council whenever there is a business need. This enables staff to seek the best possible candidates, at the best possible hourly rate, in an efficient way. Council's current contract agreement expires 9 November 2022 and is seeking council endorsement to extend this agreement to align with the updated MAV expiry date of 30 September 2023.

MAV has indicated that it will be replacing this contract at the conclusion of this extension period.

#### Policy Implications

Procurement Policy

#### Relevance to Council Plan

##### 5.1 We practise responsible leadership

5.1.2 Manage our finances responsibly and leave a positive legacy for future generations.

5.1.3 Strive to be a customer focused organisation and be a great place to work.

#### Climate Emergency Consideration

n/a

**Consultation/Communication**

n/a

**Financial and Resource Implications**

Council spent \$1.4M in neutral vendor managed services in 2021/22 financial year. This amount is expected to be maintained. All expenditure is managed via ordinary budgetary constraints.

**Conclusion**

Council should continue the Neutral Vendor Managed Service to assist in the day-to-day operations of temporary labour hire, until the contract expiry date of 30 September 2023.