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Function	Cluster	Description of Contract	Estimated Start date of Contract or Extension	Estimated End date of Contract	Total Estimated Contract Value £	SUMMARY OF EXPLANATION OF WHY THE CONTRACT WAS URGENTLY REQUIRED TO MEET THE EXIGENCIES OF THE SERVICE AND THEREFORE JUSTIFYING THE SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, IN WHOLE OR IN PART:
Customer	Digital & Technology	Microsoft Enterprise Agreements (SQL)	01/01/2020	31/12/2022	166,273	There is a requirement to licence critical Microsoft SQL Databases across the estate which provides the essential platform for key critical applications such as: BACS (C-Series), Carefirst, Child Protection Register , e-Financials, Infosmart, Northgate NPS Housing, NDR, Parking Gateway, PSE, Total Mobile, Tranman, CAG and Confirm. It had been intended to put all three agreements to the previous meeting of the Strategic Commissioning Committee (where the business case for e-Financials was considered) however due to the complexity of the licence process, it was necessary to delay the other agreements.
Operations	Operations and Protective Services	Cost System Upgrade and Mobile Working Deployment	23/12/2019	31/12/2020	98,450	To allow for business efficiencies to be realised for the commencement of financial year 2020/21, an implementation date of April 2020 is required, which requires award of contract prior to January 2020 to allow for a 12 week deployment programme.
Resources	Finance	Procurement of Bulk Annuity for Aberdeen City Council Transport Fund	01/04/2020		Circa £200 million	Following the merging of the two Transport Funds, the Pensions Committee, in conjunction with the single employer (First Bus), agreed to procure a bulk annuity for the pensioner liabilities. The aim of this is to reduce the level of volatility for the employer around future pension contributions and funding of their liabilities, and reduce investment risk for the employer and the Pension Fund. The fund urgently required procurement of the bulk annuity before the end of March/April 2020, as the pricing of the annuity is dependent on timing within the insurance sector and pricing is significantly influenced by market movements. Progressing the procurement while prevailing market conditions were good was extremely important to achieve the desired result.