Function	Cluster	Description of Contract	Start date of	Contract	Total Estimated Contract Value £	SUMMARY OF EXPLANATION OF WHY THE CONTRACT WAS URGENTLY REQUIRED TO MEET THE EXIGENICES OF THE SERVICE AND THEREFORE JUSTIFYING THE SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, IN WHOLE OR IN PART:
Resources		Support and maintenance for Open Text invoice content software – integration to E Financials 1St April 2021	01/04/2022	31/03/2023	£91,617.33	Provision and support of a corporate system (Infosmart) to manage the invoices the Council receives from suppliers who provide services to us. There are two elements to the system: Document imaging where images of the received invoices are stored for reference with relevant key data being captured automatically on reference indexes and Work flow allowing management of work flow levels, appropriate approval routing to ensure the authorisation and timely payment of invoices in accordance with finance polices and corporate standing orders. Functionality has been developed in conjunction with the ABS EFinancials software system to enable integration with that product. That functionality has been developed in collaboration between Open Text, ABS and ACC in order to meet the needs of our financial transactions business processes.
	-	Microsoft Teams enhancements to support citizen experience and employee engagement	01/04/2022	31/03/2024	£537,000.00	The council has made significant investment in a Microsoft 365 cloud service architecture. As part of technical alignment and business need the platform needs to be developed further to provide services for citizens including improved citizen experience and also empower employees through better use of technology and adoption of additional features and functionality.
Customer	Digital and	Datacentre contract extension- Datacentre services including resilient disaster recover, security protection, monitoring and backup services.	01/11/2021	30/11/2022	£1,100,000.00	Given the supplier is hosting our existing infrastructure and to avoid a costly transition exercise at this time, the best option is to extend the contractual arrangement for a further 12 months. A related capital modernisation programme is running in parallel to transition our virtual server estate from brightsolid that will reduce our foot print significantly over the ensuing 3-4 months approx. that will then allow us to understand the exact datacentre requirement moving forward. Once this is concluded, this will allow us to understand technically what our remaining datacentre requirements will be where we will enter into a commercial tender exercise for datacentre services and test the market from a commercial arrangement perspective.