

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
CABINET – 6 SEPTEMBER 2016.
REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (FINANCE AND OPERATIONS)

MINOR BUILDING WORKS – CONTRACT EXTENSION

1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 On 4 March 2014, Cabinet agreed to award framework contracts for Minor Building works to the following companies:
- D Smith Builders (Welwyn) Limited
 - Purdy Contracts Limited
 - RCP Contractors Limited
- 1.2 The contracts started on 31/3/2014 and the initial term was for three years until 31/3/2017 with an optional one year extension. This report considers the benefit of extending the contract

2 Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 That the framework contracts are extended for a period of one year to 31/03/2018

3 Explanation

- 3.1 The Minor Building Works contract is for responsive repairs and minor new works to the council corporate property portfolio.
- 3.2 The main benefit of the contract is that the officers can instruct contractors to carry out works, at pre agreed rates without the delay of a procurement process. This enables work to be undertaken without unnecessary delay and is especially beneficial for emergency works.
- 3.3 The contract is based on continual monitoring of contractors to ensure that quality of work is maintained and value for money is achieved.
- 3.4 The Contractors on the framework have performed exceedingly well and enabled a number of high profile projects to be achieved on time. To enable this service to continue it is recommended that the frameworks continue in their current format and a new procurement commences in mid 2017 for a replacement contract to commence on 01/04/2018.

Implications

4 Legal Implication(s)

- 4.1 The original procurement was let in accordance with the European Procurement Directives and there was provision in the contract notice for a one year extension.

5 Financial Implication(s)

The spend on the framework is approximately £400,000 per annum and is met from various budgets. The rates on the framework will remain the same for the proposed extension period,

6 Risk Management Implications

- 6.1 There are very little risks of using a framework of this nature, as there are other contractors on the framework, if one of the contractors fails to perform.

7 Security & Terrorism Implication(s)

- 7.1 None relating to this report.

8 Procurement Implication(s)

- 8.1 This proposal is in accordance with the Contract Procedure Rules and European Procurement Directives

9 Climate Change Implication(s)

- 9.1 None relating to this report.

10 Link to Corporate Priorities

- 10.1 The subject of this report is linked to the Council's Corporate Priority 4 - Help build a strong local economy, by maintaining and enhancing council assets.

11 Equality and Diversity

- 11.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) has not been carried out in connection with the proposals that are set out in this report as there are no changes to service delivery.

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