

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
CABINET – 7th January 2025
REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (RESIDENT SERVICES AND CLIMATE
CHANGE)

VARIATION TO HOUSING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 An opportunity has arisen to change the payment profile in relation to the contract with Equans Regeneration Limited (Equans) in relation to their Housing Maintenance contract. This report explains the implications of that variation

2 Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 That Cabinet agrees to agree to a variation to the Equans contract which will change the way payments are made.

3 Explanation

- 3.1 In February 2023, Cabinet agreed to award a contract to Equans for planned housing works. The scope of the contract includes replacement kitchens, bathrooms, windows and roofs.
- 3.2 An opportunity has arisen to change contract prices in relation to the preliminaries and scaffolding costs.
- 3.3 Full details are included in the Part 2 report.

Implications

Legal Implication(s)

- 3.4 The variation to the contract would be accordance with Regulation 72 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 as the Contractor would not be a better position as a result of the variation

4 Financial Implication(s)

- 4.1 It is anticipated that savings in the region of £1,500,000.00 will be made over the remainder of the contract period.
- 4.2 Details are contained with the part 2 report.

5 Risk Management Implications

- 5.1 The risk of procurement challenge is considered low as Equans would be in no better a position than before the proposed variation
- 5.2 The financial risks are included in the Part 2 report

6 Security and Terrorism Implication(s)

6.1 None directly associated with this recommendation

7 Procurement Implication(s)

7.1 None directly associated with this recommendation

8 Climate Change Implication(s)

8.1 None directly associated with this recommendation

9 Human Resources Implication(s)

9.1 None directly associated with this recommendation

10 Health and Wellbeing Implication(s)

11.1 None directly associated with this recommendation

11 Communication and Engagement Implication(s)

12.1 None directly associated with this recommendation

12 Link to Corporate Priorities

12.1 The subject of this report is linked to the Council's Corporate Priority 'To run an effective council and make financial decisions to deliver efficient and quality services

13 Equality and Diversity

14.1 An EqIA was not completed because this report does not propose changes to existing service-related policies or the development of new service-related policies.

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