

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
CABINET – 6th June 2023.
REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND CLIMATE
CHANGE)

EXTENSION OF GAS MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS

1 Executive Summary

The initial terms of the gas maintenance contracts expire on 31st March 2024 and this report considers the extension of the contracts

2 Recommendation(s)

2.1 That the following contracts are extended by 2 years with effect from 1st April 2024:

- 1) Gas Maintenance (North) – Aaron Services Limited
- 2) Gas Maintenance (South) - British Gas Social Housing Limited (trading as PH Jones)
- 3) Third Party Gas Audit Contract - Gas Advisory Services Limited (trading as Phoenix Compliancy Management)

3 Explanation

3.1 On 8th January 2019 Cabinet agreed to award gas related contracts to Aaron Services, British Gas Social Housing Limited and Gas Advisory Services for an initial period of 5 years, with the option to extend for a period of up to 4 years in a minimum of 12 months increments

3.2 The contracts have generally performed well and it is considered that it is in the best interests of the council to extend these contracts.

3.3 The recommendation is for two years, so that there will be an opportunity for a further review.

3.4 An alternative would be to start a new procurement for the services.

Implications

4 Legal Implication(s)

4.1 There is provision in the contracts to extend them for up to 4 years, so the recommendation would be in accordance with regulation 72 (Modification of Contracts during their term) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

5 Financial Implication(s)

5.1 The contracts would be extended on existing terms with prices only changing in accordance with the price adjustment formula.

6 Risk Management Implications

6.1 There are no additional risks associated with this recommendation.

7 Security and Terrorism Implication(s)

7.1 No additional implications.

8 Procurement Implication(s)

8.1 See legal implications.

9 Climate Change Implication(s)

9.1 No additional implications.

10 Human Resources Implication(s)

10.1 No additional implications

11 Health and Wellbeing Implication(s)

11.1 No additional implications

12 Communication and Engagement Implication(s)

12.1 No additional implications

13 Link to Corporate Priorities

13.1 The subject of this report is linked to the Council's Corporate Priority to meet the Borough's housing needs

14 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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