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Report to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation)

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Subject: Authority to use the North Yorkshire County Council Contracts – Civil

Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors Framework

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	⊠ Yes	☐ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	Yes	⊠ No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:		
Appendix number:		

Summary of main issues

- 1. As part of collaborative working within the Yorkshire & Humberside Alliance Procurement Group, North Yorkshire County Council has undertaken the procurement of a Civil Engineering Contractors Contract together with the Painting Contractors Framework.
- 2. This report seeks permission for Leeds City Council to use the North Yorkshire Civil Engineering Contractors Contract together with the Painting Contractors Framework.

Recommendations

3. The Chief Officer Highways and Transportation is requested to authorise the use of the North Yorkshire County Council Framework Contracts – Civil Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors which run until the 31st March 2020.

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 To authorise the use of the North Yorkshire County Council Framework Contracts

– Civil Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors.

2 Background information

- 2.1 On behalf of the Yorkshire & Humberside Alliance Procurement Group, North Yorkshire County Council have undertaken the procurement of two framework contracts as part of the joint working arrangements, it therefore is appropriate for Leeds City Council to utilise these contracts as and when required.
- 2.2 The Civil Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors Framework are used to provide competitive rates and services for a range of highway services.
- 2.3 It is appropriate for Leeds City Council to use these contracts as an alternative to the YorCivils Framework and the Highways Works Term Contract which will provide flexibility should any of the above contracts become unusable for any reason.

3 Main issues

- 3.1 Approval is required to give authority for Leeds to use these North Yorkshire County Council Framework Contracts Civil Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors. These contracts are based on the NEC3 Framework Contract.
- 3.2 North Yorkshire County Council Authority has ensured that the procurement has been carried out in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and that the frameworks are available for Leeds to use.
- 3.3 The contracts were procured on the 1st April 2016 and they run until the 31st March 2020 with no option to extend the contract further.
- The contracts are divided into "Lots". On the Civil Engineering Contract we are on Lot 3 (£5K £250K), Lot 5 (£250K £1M) and Lot 6 (£1M £5M). Similarly on the Painting contractors framework we are on Lot 3 (£5K £250K) and Lot 4 (£250K £1M).
- 3.5 Within the Terms and Conditions it states that there is no guarantee of any work offered to suppliers selected and it is not possible to give a guaranteed amount that will be spent with any suppliers.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 The service users across the Districts were consulted on the format of the contracts prior to the tendering process.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 An equality, diversity, cohesion and integration screening has been undertaken by North Yorkshire County Council as part of their tender procedures and confirms that a full impact assessment is not required as the proposals are only seeking to use the Civil Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors Framework and will therefore have no impact on protected equality characteristics.

4.3 Council policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 The use of this contract is in accordance with the Council's procurement policies.

4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 North Yorkshire County Council has undertaken a competitive tender exercise and selected the Contractors for the framework that offer best value. There are no fees involved for using the frameworks.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 This is a key decision that has been published on the forward plan and will be subject to call in as the value of the works that Leeds may procure through this contract in any year may exceed £250,000.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 Not approving the use of the North Yorkshire County Council Framework Contracts would mean Leeds would not have the option to use these frameworks.

5 Conclusions

5.1 Utilising these contracts is an efficient use of Council resources and will provide a cost effective option for procuring work.

6 Recommendations

6.1 The Chief Officer Highways and Transportation is requested to authorise the use of the North Yorkshire County Council Framework Contracts – Civil Engineering Contractors and Painting Contractors which run until the 31st March 2020.

7 Background documents¹

7.1 None.

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.