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# Report to Chief Officer, Economy and Regeneration

**Date**: 11 October 2017

**Subject:** Bath Road Remediation Works – Award of Contract

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	⊠ Yes	☐ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): City & Hunslet		
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?  If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:  Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

## Summary of main issues

- 1. The Council owns land at Bath Road and Sweet Street West in Holbeck, South Bank, to the rear of Temple Works and the sites are in a poor condition with overgrown vegetation and ongoing issues of fly tipping.
- 2. The land is contaminated and a £575K loan has been secured from West Yorkshire Combined Authority to remediate the sites in order to accelerate the delivery of residential use.
- 3. A tender exercise has been undertaken in connection with the proposed remediation works and a preferred tenderer has been established and authority to award the contract is now sought.

#### Recommendations

4. The Chief Officer, Economy and Regeneration is asked to approve the recommendation to award the Bath Road Remediation Works Contract to VHE Construction Plc.

### 1 Purpose of this report

1.1 This report seeks approval to award the contract which will enable the works to proceed and allow the sites to be remediated and become available for development.

# 2 Background information

- 2.1 In July 2016 the Council's Executive Board agreed to inject a loan of £575,000 provided by the West Yorkshire Combined Authority into the Capital Programme to carry out land remediation works to four sites in Holbeck, as part of the South Bank regeneration proposals.
- 2.2 The sites are in a poor condition with overgrown vegetation and ongoing issues with fly tipping.
- 2.3 The proposed remediation will comprise excavation and removal off site of above ground stockpiles and bund soils along with vegetation clearance including removal of Japanese Knotweed.
- 2.2 Approval to procure the tender through companies registered on Constructionline was given by the Chief Officer Highways and Transportation on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017.
- 2.3 Tenders were invited through YORtender on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 three tender submissions were received.

#### 3 Main Considerations and Reasons for Contract Award

- 3.1 Seven companies were invited to tender for the works and there were three tender returns following the tender process.
- 3.2 The three tenderers Quality Submissions were assessed by a panel of Highway & Transportation officers and was chaired by an officer from the H&T Procurement Section.
- 3.3 The quality scores of the tenderers were inserted into the model and the weighting specified in the tender documentation was applied. The Tender was based on a split of 40/60 Quality / Price which gave a total amount out of 100.
- 3.4 The tenderers' submission was entered into the Financial Evaluation model:

Tender	Quality Score	Financial Score	Combined Score (40 Quality/60 Price)
Α	100	13.6	48.2
В	90.3	66.8	76.2
С	75	100	90

3.5 The highest Combined Score is the preferred tenderer which is VHE Construction Plc with a tender target cost of £553,295.00.

# 4 Corporate Considerations

### 4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 The Executive Member for Regeneration, Transport and Planning, has been consulted and is supportive of the recommendations detailed in this report. Ward members have been informed of the proposals.
- 4.1.2 Officer from Resources have been consulted and confirm the budgetary provision contained in this report.
- 4.1.3 Officers from PPPU/PU have been consulted and support the procurement approach recommended in this report.

# 4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 An Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening has been carried out on the proposals and has determined there in no adverse impact and that an impact assessment is not required for the approvals requested.

#### 4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

4.3.1. The work described in this report contributes to the Best Council Plan 2013-17, and in particular the objective of promoting sustainable and inclusive economic growth, by boosting the local economy and providing housing as the city grows.

#### 4.4 Resources and Value for Money

- 4.4.1 The contract represents good value for money having evaluated three competitive tenders.
- 4.4.2 The contract will be funded from a loan by the West Yorkshire Combined Authority.

#### 4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 4.5.1 There are no specific legal implications arising from this report. All activities relating to the award of this contract are being executed in accordance with the Corporate Procurement Rules.
- 4.5.2 The decision which is the subject of this report is classed as a Significant Operational Decision in accordance with articles 13.4.b and 13.5 a and b, of the constitution as it is a direct consequence of implementing a previous key decision. As such the decision is not eligible for call in.

#### 4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 The contract will be managed by Engineering Services who will ensure appropriate risk management procedures are in place.

#### 5 Conclusions

5.1 The tender has been procured in accordance with the Corporate Procurement Rules and it is appropriate to award the contract to the preferred tenderer for the Bath Road Remediation Works.

## 6 Recommendations

6.1 The Chief Officer, Economy and Regeneration is asked to approve the recommendation to award the Bath Road Remediation Works Contract to VHE Construction PLC.

# 6.2 Background documents<sup>1</sup>

6.3 None

<sup>1</sup> 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.