



Report of Chief Officer Civic Enterprise Leeds

Report to Director of Resources and Housing

Date: 25th November 2019

**Subject: Authority to award contracts for a number of Plant and Machinery types
(Waste Compactors, Towable Welfare Unit and Plant Trailers)**

Are specific electoral wards affected? If yes, name(s) of ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Has consultation been carried out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Will the decision be open for call-in?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, access to information procedure rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary

1. Main issues

- 1.1 In April 2018 Executive Board approved the spending of £14.7M for the fleet replacement programme for the 2018/19 financial year, a further approval to spend £7.8M to replace refuse collection vehicles and £4.1M for the fleet replacement programme in 2019/20. This is to ensure that the council fleet was compliant with the Clean Air Zone (CAZ) to be introduced in July 2020.
- 1.2 The equipment and machinery from this procurement is included in the fleet replacement funding of £25M above.
- 1.3 The existing contract used for the procurement of vehicles ended on 31st March 2018. A procurement exercise was undertaken and The Procurement Partnership Limited (TPPL) were awarded the contract for the supply of vehicles, grounds maintenance, plant and equipment to the Council. The anticipated spend using this contract over the next two years is likely to be in the region of £30M.
- 1.4 The procurement process for the fleet replacement programme will see a number of exercises for the replacement of certain fleet themes of vehicles, plant and equipment. The framework for this procurement allows the Council to ensure that the most economically viable option is chosen for vehicles that match the requirements of the services whose vehicles are being replaced.
- 1.5 The latest exercise undertaken has been for the replacement of the Councils' plant and machinery.

2. Best Council Plan Implications (click [here](#) for the latest version of the Best Council Plan)

- 2.1 The equipment provided under this procurement will contribute to the Council's business plan of tackling climate change risks and spending money wisely through the use of an approved framework. In addition, this procurement will support operational provision so that services can continue to contribute to meeting some of the Best City Priorities.

3. Resource Implications

- 3.1 There has been a fleet replacement programme in place for many years and this is funded through the Capital Programme and there are no adverse financial implications in awarding these contracts.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Director of Resources and Housing approve the following awards for the period 1st December 2019 to 31st July 2020:

- a) Approve the award of the contract for the provision of 3 No. 360 Degree Wheeled Loaders complete with Macpactor Compax Wheel Systems suitable for Household Waste Site Skip Compaction to the value of £504,365 to Watling JCB Ltd.
- b) Approve the award of the contract for the provision of a towable welfare unit to the value of £20,788 to Chippendale Plant Ltd.
- c) Approve the award of the contract for the provision of up to 8 x 3500kg plant trailers to the value of £25,200 to Chippendale Plant Ltd.

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report requests the Director of Resources and Housing to award a contract for the purchase of various plant and machinery as listed.

2. Background information

- 2.1 The selection of appropriate replacement vehicles and equipment is specified taking into account the Council's commitment to improving air quality and spending money wisely. In the absence of an ultra low emission vehicle (ULEV) alternative then the council will invest in a diesel euro VI engine vehicle which complies with the requirements for the CAZ and is also the least polluting in terms of CO₂, NO_x and PM.
- 2.2 In April 2018 the Executive Board approved the £14.7M budget required for the 2018/19 fleet replacement programme which will ensure that the Council fleet is fully compliant with CAZ.
- 2.3 The three waste compaction machines are based in Household Waste Sites and are not road registered and therefore are exempt from CAZ compliance. They are used to compact waste in open skips used by the general public to maximise the skip payload which reduces vehicle movements by hookloaders which now are all Euro VI and CAZ compliant from the waste sites to the appropriate tip site.
- 2.4 The waste machines are specialist and an alternative fuel version although available have been trialled previously but were deemed too small and could not compact the waste to maximise the skip payloads required.

- 2.5 The waste machines being plant items have diesel engines to the latest emission specification available.
- 2.6 The welfare unit which is a towed trailer is to replace a 2003 registered diesel mobile classroom vehicle which although under 3.5T and exempt from CAZ compliance has a Euro 3 emission standard. This will remove one vehicle from Fleet.
- 2.7 The plant trailers are to replace old plant trailers of the same specification due to their age and condition.

3. Main issues

Tender process

- 3.1 In August 2019 the Council went out to tender for a number of different plant and equipment types to replace items identified on the vehicle replacement programme.
- 3.2 With respect to tender evaluation, suppliers were awarded scores for price based on the tendered cost of the vehicles
- 3.3 Quality elements were also included within the tender process and suppliers requested to provide information regarding delivery lead in times, warranty, after sales and account management and their meeting of the technical specification.
- 3.4 Suppliers were also requested to provide two references for recent contracts that they had provided for other local authorities or similar types of organisations.
- 3.5 The council advertised three tender exercises for;
 - 3 No. 360 Degree Wheeled Loaders complete with Macpactor Compax Wheel Systems suitable for Household Waste Site Skip Compaction.
 - 1 x Towable Welfare Unit.
 - Up to 8 x 3500kg Plant Trailer
- 3.6 The tender exercises were won by;
 - Watling JCB Ltd for the provision of 3 No. 360 Degree Wheeled Loaders complete with Macpactor Compax Wheel Systems suitable for Household Waste Site Skip Compaction
 - Chippendale Plant Ltd for the provision of a towable welfare unit
 - Chippendale Plant Ltd for the provision of up to 8 x 3500kg plant trailers

4. Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

- 4.2 Fleet Services have consulted with service managers within the departments on the specifications of all the vehicles being purchased.
- 4.3 Fleet Services and the Sustainable Energy and Air Quality team have worked closely together to ensure that the plant and machinery being purchased support

the strategic work to reduce emissions from our fleet and make a contribution to improving public health through improving air quality.

4.4 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

4.5 An equality, cohesion, diversity impact assessment has been undertaken as part of the business case development phase and no adverse impact was identified.

4.6 Council policies and the Best Council Plan

4.7 This report demonstrates a contribution towards the following priorities contained in the Best Council Plan:

- Enable plant and equipment to be replaced so that the Council can continue to deliver frontline services and help meet Best City Priorities.
- Improving air quality and reducing pollution through the purchase of CAZ compliant plant and machinery.
- Reducing carbon emissions to support health and wellbeing.

Climate Emergency

- The three machines are fitted with latest Euro standard diesel engines with lower Co2 levels than the machines they are replacing
- The welfare unit which is a towed trailer has Zero emissions and is to replace a 2003 registered diesel mobile classroom vehicle which although under 3.5T and exempt from CAZ compliance has a Euro 3 emission standard.

4.8 Resources, procurement and value for money

4.9 There has been a fleet replacement programme in place for many years and this is funded through the Capital Programme. There are no adverse financial implications of these proposed awards, the cost of purchase can be contained within the approved capital funding for the scheme.

4.10 The proposed contract awards will be in compliance of the Council's Contract Procedural Rules and involves a call off from an established framework that is compliant with European Union legislation.

4.11 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

4.12 There are no legal issues relating to this report which have been identified.

4.13 The procurement process is compliant with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

4.14 Risk management

4.15 A full risk assessment has been undertaken and risk register has been developed as part of the development of the business case to deliver this procurement exercise. Failure to award the contracts would potentially increase the risk of some of the Council's plant and machinery not being CAZ compliant.

5. Conclusions

- 5.1 There is already a fleet replacement programme which will see vehicles within the Council's fleet replaced on a periodic cycle of usually five or six years dependent upon the mileage of the vehicle and the costs of ongoing maintenance costs. This proposal will bring some of the plant and machinery included within the programme into that cycle early due to the need to comply with the implementation of the CAZ enabling the Council to meet its improving air quality and reducing pollution ambitions.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 It is recommended that the Director of Resources and Housing approve the following awards for the period 1st December 2019 to 31st July 2020:
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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.