

Report of Head of Catering Services

Report to Director of Resources and Housing

Date: 11th February 2020

Subject: Authority to award contract for a Goupil G5 Full Electric Precinct Waste Collector.

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 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

- 1.6 It is recommended that the Chief Officer of Civic Enterprise Leeds approve the following award for the period from 1st March 2020 to 31st August 2020:
- 1.7 Approve the award of the contract for the provision of 1 No. Goupil G5 full electric precinct waste collector to the value of £48,049.56 to Trafalgar Cleaning Equipment.

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report requests the Chief Officer of Civic Enterprise Leeds award a contract for the purchase of the electric truck 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 Currently the City Centre Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team operate a Goupil small fully electric precinct cage vehicle which was purchased in 2014.
- 2.4 The current vehicle operates in the central shopping area collecting refuse from the various street bins and transporting them to the depot located at the NCP car park next to the bus station.
- 2.5 Due to changes in both disposal and depot location the current vehicle is too small and slow to travel to the new Kirkstall Road disposal site which will be the new location for tipping and depot parking is to be located near to South Accomodation Road.

- 2.6 The current Goupil waste collector is also due replacement as is becoming unreliable and is due replacement as it is now coming up to 6 years old.
- 2.7 This was included in the 2019/20 replacement programme
- 2.8 The Goupil Waste Collector specified to replace the current vehicle has a much larger payload and volume capacity and has Lithium Batteries which give a higher daily mileage range and greater road speed to enable safe travel to the disposal site at Kirkstall Road.

3. Main issues

Tender process

- 3.1 In December 2019 the Council went out to tender for an Electric Utility truck to replace the Goupil vehicle 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.

The council advertised a tender exercises for;

- 1 No. Goupil G5 Electric Utility Truck with a Tipping Waste Collector Body

- 3.5 The tender exercise was won by;

- Trafalgar Cleaning Equipment

4. Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

- 4.2 Fleet Services have consulted with service manager within the department on the specification of all the vehicle being purchased.
- 4.3 Fleet Services and the Sustainable Energy and Air Quality team have worked closely together to ensure that the 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 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 public health and wellbeing.

Climate Emergency

- The Goupil G5 Waste Collector is fully electric and therefore has zero carbon emissions.
- This vehicle operates in the central pedestrianised shopping area every day of the week which has high footfall.
- Supports the health and wellbeing of the visitors to Leeds City Centre.
- This contributes towards the aim to be a carbon neutral city.

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 replace machinery included within the programme enabling the Council to meet its improving air quality and reducing pollution ambitions.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 It is recommended that the Chief Officer of Civic Enterprise Leeds approve the following award for the period from 1st March 2020 to 31st August 2020:
- 6.2 Approve the award of the contract for the provision of 1 No. Goupil G5 full electric precinct waste collector to the value of £48,049.56 to Trafalgar Cleaning Equipment.

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.