

## Authority to procure through TPPL Framework for the Replacement of 6 Vehicles

Date: 10 November 2022

Report of: Head of Catering and Fleet Services

Report to: Chief Officer Civic Enterprise Leeds

Will the decision be open for call in?  Yes  No

Does the report contain confidential information?  Yes  No

### Brief summary

This report seeks approval of the Chief Officer Civic Enterprise Leeds to procure through the TPPL Framework replace 6 vehicles under the Vehicle Replacement Programme at an estimated cost of £423.6K

Amount	Vehicle Type	Replacement Type	Reason for Replacement
2	Parks Pick up vans	Swap trucks for vans	CNG no longer viable
1	Art Forms Transit Van	Replace with EV Van	Stolen
3	Youth Service Meeting Transit Vans	Like for Like	Age, wear & tear

The Director of Resources approved the use of TPPL frameworks for the supply of vehicles and the supply of grounds vehicles and is set to expire on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023. (DN48666)

### Recommendations

- a) The Chief Officer Civic Enterprise Leeds is recommended to approve the authority to procure through the TPPL Framework for the replacement of 6 Vehicles as identified above at an estimated cost of £423.6k.

## **What is this report about?**

- 1 This report seeks approval of the Chief Officer Civic Enterprise Leeds to procure through the TPPL Framework replace 6 vehicles under the Vehicle Replacement Programme at an estimated cost of £423.6K
- 2 Procuring through the TPPL Framework will allow the opportunity to attract the best provider who understands the Council's statutory requirements and, therefore, demonstrate how their service can support the Council to meet those requirements and contribute to supporting the Council to achieve its Best Council plans.
- 3 TPPL provide better value for money in terms of charges for suppliers for accessing the frameworks, which would reflect in lower costs to Leeds City Council.
- 4 The number of suppliers on the TPPL frameworks is vastly greater than the Council would be able to attract if it procured its own framework, and will therefore give added value for money through increased competition at mini-competition stage
- 5 It ensures that the Council spends its money wisely by seeking to achieve the best price possible.

## **What impact will this proposal have?**

- 6 The procurement of these vehicles has a direct impact on all wards within the council, they provide essential services from, graffiti removal across the city, cultural enrichment, and positive youth interaction.
- 7 Maintaining and delivering a Vehicle Replacement Programme, you know what to expect in preventative maintenance costs, and the ability to replace older vehicles before they experience costly breakdowns.
- 8 The authority has a commitment to climate change and tackling air quality, replacing aging fleet with modern vehicles with reduced emissions will help with these ambitions.
- 9 It ensures that the Council spends its money wisely by seeking to achieve the best price possible.
- 10 Improving air quality, reducing pollution and noise by replacing aging fleet with modern vehicles with reduced emissions

## **How does this proposal impact the three pillars of the Best City Ambition?**

Health and Wellbeing       Inclusive Growth       Zero Carbon

- 11 With the Council declaring a climate emergency the impact regarding our social responsibilities has never been greater. Well maintained and robust vehicles will lower fuel consumptions, and thus lowering vehicle emission levels.
- 12 With lower vehicles emissions there is a positive impact upon the health and wellbeing of the Leeds population

## **What consultation and engagement has taken place?**

Wards affected:

Have ward members been consulted?       Yes       No

- 13 Consultation has been undertaken with Transport Logistic Officers (TLO) who use fleet services and have discussed current and future vehicle requirements. A specification will be drawn up and approved by the department before going through TTPL.

## **What are the resource implications?**

- 14 Civic Enterprise Leeds (CEL) have already identified that there is £423.6k in funding available and should be allocated to this procurement.
- 15 Fleet Services have a contract and procurement team to undertake vehicle purchasing in conjunction with PACS (Procurement and Commercial Services) and a TPPL framework that is in place under contract reference D48666.

### **What are the key risks and how are they being managed?**

- 16 The risks are being managed and mitigated by awarding procuring and awarding a contract in compliance with Contract Procedural Rules.
- 17 The risk to the authority is a failure by not to having adequate provision to replace the vehicles within the required timescales which could impact service provision, approving these replacement vehicles will mitigate this risk.
- 18 The Council has a duty of care to its employees, to ensure that their vehicles are safe and legal to drive, a key component to this the reliability and safety element of every vehicle on the road. This industry is highly regulated, and compliance and safety regularly tested through the Driver Vehicle Standards Agency.
- 19 Failure to maintain this would result in the loss of the Goods Vehicle Operators Licence and render all Fleet Services within Leeds City Council inoperable.

### **What are the legal implications?**

- 20 Due to the value of the procurement, this is a Significant Operational Decision and is therefore not subject to call-in.

## **Options, timescales and measuring success**

### **What other options were considered?**

- 21 The option to not replace any vehicles but those identified are at greatest risk of causing service failure.

### **How will success be measured?**

- 22 Success will be measured by the purchase of the replacement vehicles.

### **What is the timetable and who will be responsible for implementation?**

- 23 Once approval has been given, procurement can begin immediately through TPPL framework.

### **Appendices**

- None

### **Background papers**

- None