

**To: Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board**

**On: 31 March 2021**

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**Report by: The Chief Executive and the Director of Environment and Infrastructure**

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**Heading: Contract Award: The Purchase of three (3) 26 Tonne Refuse Collection Vehicles (RCV) (RC-CPU-20-414)**

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**1. Summary**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board to award the contract for The Purchase of three (3) 26 Tonne Refuse Collection Vehicles to Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited as part of the Council's Vehicle Replacement Programme for 2021/2022.
  - 1.2 This procurement exercise was conducted as a direct award to contract for the Purchase of three (3) 26 Tonne Refuse Collection Vehicles to Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited under Lot 8 and Lot 11 of the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (ref: 03/17) and in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders relating to Contracts.
  - 1.3 A Contract Strategy was prepared by the Corporate Procurement Unit which covered the purchase of vehicles for the vehicle replacement programmes from 2018/19 to 2022/2023 and was approved by the Director of Environment and Communities (the predecessor service to Environment and Infrastructure) and the Corporate Procurement Manager in June 2018.
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## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board authorise:
    - 2.1.1 The Head of Corporate Governance to award a Contract for the Purchase of three (3) 26 Tonne Refuse Collection Vehicles (RCV) to Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited;
    - 2.1.2 The contract value of £534,211.53 excluding VAT;
    - 2.1.3 The Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board are asked to note that if an order is placed with Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited before the 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021, vehicle delivery must be before the end of November 2021. Delivery will be made to Fleet Services, Underwood Road, Paisley.
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## **3. Background**

- 3.1 As part of the vehicle replacement programme Environment & Infrastructure Services identified a requirement to purchase three (3) new 26 tonne Refuse Collection Vehicles consisting of two split lift RCV for residential use and one RCV for the trade lift facility. In accordance with Standing Order 29.5 of the Standing Order relating to Contracts, the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (ref: 03/17) Lot 8 and Lot 11 was identified as the best option for this purchase.
- 3.2 Scotland Excel established a Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (ref: 03/17) on 1st January 2018. The Framework Agreement allows for "Direct Awards" to be utilised as the selection procedure where the Council can demonstrate best value for money.
- 3.3 Analysis of the Suppliers on Lot 8 and Lot 11 of the Framework Agreement was undertaken. The analysis demonstrated that best value for money could be achieved by making a direct award for the purchase of these three (3) vehicles from Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited. This analysis took into consideration the recent survey of all low floor RCV and body / lifter previously supplied. Past purchases of other low floor vehicles have been problematic arising with damage to vehicles due to design issues and reliability. Staff engagement has been important in the selection of these vehicles due to cab ergonomics and safety improvements.
- 3.4 The costs for this contract will be met from the Environment & Infrastructure Capital budget allocation for the Vehicle Replacement Programme for financial year 2021/22.

- 3.5 Community benefits for this contract will be sought under the framework. Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited have committed to providing the following:
- Non-financial support for a community project. Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited will carry out a presentation and talk to school children regarding litter and recycling.
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## **Implications of the Report**

1. **Financial**

The costs under this Contract will be funded from the Environment & Infrastructure Capital budget allocation for the Vehicle Replacement Programme for financial year 2021/2022

2. **HR & Organisational Development**

No TUPE implications for the Council have arisen or are anticipated.

3. **Community/Council Planning**

N/A

4. **Legal**

The procurement of this Contract was conducted in accordance with the requirements for a direct award under Lot 8 and Lot 11 of the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (ref: 03/17) and the Council's Standing Orders relating to Contracts.

5. **Property/Assets**

No property/asset implications have arisen or are anticipated

6. **Information Technology**

None

7. **Equality & Human Rights**

(a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because for example it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.

8. **Health & Safety**  
Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited's health and safety standards have been assessed and evaluated by Scotland Excel to confirm they meet the minimum requirements regarding insurable risk.
9. **Procurement**  
The procurement procedures outlined within this report shall ensure that the Council meets its statutory requirements in respect of procurement procedures, efficiency and modern Government.
10. **Risk**  
Faun Zoeller (UK) Limited's insurances have been assessed and evaluated to confirm they meet the minimum requirements regarding insurable risk.
11. **Privacy Impact**  
No Privacy Impact Assessment requirements were identified within this procurement.
12. **Cosla Policy Position**  
No Cosla Policy implications have been identified or are anticipated.
13. **Climate Risk**  
The level of impact associated with provision of the supply of this product has been assessed by Scotland Excel using the Scottish Government Sustainability Test and is considered to be low risk.

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### **List of Background Papers**

None

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