

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

**On: 2 September 2020**

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

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**Heading: Refurbishment/Upgrade of Traffic Signal Equipment at 7 Junctions  
within Renfrewshire**

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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 a Contract for the Refurbishment/Upgrade of Traffic Signal Equipment at 7 Junctions within Renfrewshire.

1.2 The procurement exercise was conducted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders Relating to Contracts.

1.3 A Contract Strategy was approved by the Head of Operations and Infrastructure and the Strategic Commercial Category Manager on 30 June 2020.

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**2. Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board authorise:

2.1 The Head of Corporate Governance to award a Contract for the Refurbishment/Upgrade of Traffic Signal Equipment at 7 Junctions within Renfrewshire to Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited T/A MacAsphalt;

- 2.2 The intended starting date of 1 October 2020 with an anticipated completion date of 31 March 2021. However, the actual date will be confirmed in the Council's Letter of Acceptance; and
- 2.3 A cumulative spend under the Contract of up to £600,000 excluding VAT.
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### 3. **Background**

- 3.1 Renfrewshire Council has a statutory obligation to maintain and improve all the traffic signals in operation within the Council boundary. Given this obligation, the Council has a requirement for a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to refurbish/upgrade traffic signal equipment at the following junctions:
- B789 High Street/MacDowall Street/George Street, Johnstone;
  - A726 Mill Street/Seedhill Road, Paisley;
  - A726/Thread Street, Paisley;
  - A726/Saucel Crescent;
  - B775 Maxwellton Street/Corsebar Road/ Lounsdale Road/Green Road, Paisley;
  - A726 Barrhead Road/Lochfield Road, Paisley; and
  - B775 Maxwellton Street/Broomlands Street/Gallow Green Road, Paisley.
- 3.2 A contract notice was published on the Public Contracts Scotland advertising portal on Friday, 17 July 2020 and the tender documentation available for downloading from the Public Contracts Scotland – Tender platform.
- 3.3 During the tender period, eight (8) companies expressed an interest in the Contract. By the closing date for return of electronic tenders, 12 noon on Monday, 10 August 2020, three (3) companies submitted a response, three (3) declined to respond and two (2) failed to respond.
- 3.4 The three (3) tender submissions received were evaluated against a pre-determined set of criteria in the form of the European Single Procurement Document (ESPD), as required by the Council's standing order relating to contracts 11.5, by representatives from the Corporate Procurement Unit, Health and Safety and Risk which assessed competence, expertise and economic and financial standing. All tenderers were assessed as meeting the minimum criteria following the methodology stated in the Invitation to Tender.

- 3.5 The Tender Submissions were then assessed against the published set of Award Criteria which were based on a price/quality ratio of 60%/40%.
- 3.6 One (1) Tenderer's bid was deemed to be non-compliant at this stage. As a result, their bid was not considered further.
- 3.7 The scores relative to the Award Criteria for each of the two (2) remaining Tenderers are noted below:

	Price (60%)	Quality (40%)	Total (100%)
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited t/a MacAsphalt	60.00%	39.50%	99.50%
Lochwynd Limited	11.11%	30.75%	41.86%

- 3.8 The evaluation of Tender Submissions received identified that the submission by Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited t/a MacAsphalt was the most economically advantageous tender.
- 3.9 The costs of this contract will be fully met by funding provided by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport. This funding has to be spent by 31 March 2021.
- 3.10 Community Benefits were requested as part of the procurement process and Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited t/a MacAsphalt have committed to the following Community Benefits:

Community Benefit Description	No of People / Activity
Job for an unemployed individual	2

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## Implications of the Report

- Financial**  
 The cost of this Contract will be met in full by funding provided by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport. This funding must be spent by 31 March 2021.
- HR & Organisational Development**  
 Not applicable.

3. **Community/Council Planning –**  
Reshaping our place, our economy and our future – the Contract proposed will support the delivery of this outcome.
4. **Legal**  
The tendering procedure for this Works Contract was conducted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders Relating to Contracts.
5. **Property/Assets**  
This contract will improve the Council's traffic signal infrastructure.
6. **Information Technology**  
No Information Technology implications have been identified or are anticipated.
7. **Equality & Human Rights**  
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**  
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited t/a MacAsphalt's health and safety credentials were evaluated by Corporate Health and Safety and met the Council's minimum requirements regarding health and safety.
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**  
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited t/a MacAsphalt have been assessed and evaluated to confirm that they have met the minimum requirements regarding insurable risk.

11. **Privacy Impact**  
No Privacy Impact implications have been identified or are anticipated.
12. **Cosla Policy Position**  
No Cosla Policy implications have arisen or are anticipated.
13. **Climate Risk**  
The level of impact associated with the provision of this work has been assessed using the Scottish Government Sustainability Test and is considered to be low risk.

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