
To: Procurement Sub Committee

On: Wednesday, 14th September 2016

Report by:

**Joint Report
by
The Chief Executive & Director of Community Resources**

Contract Authorisation Report

Vehicle Replacement Programme 2016/17

1. Summary

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Procurement Sub-Committee to award contracts for the purchase of vehicles under the Council's Vehicle Replacement Programme for 2016/2017.
 - 1.2. A contract strategy document was approved by the Head of Procurement and Business Support and the Director of Community Resources on 20 September 2013 which covered the four vehicle replacement programmes from 2013/14 to 2017/18.
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that the Procurement Sub Committee:
 - 2.1.1 Authorise the Head of Corporate Governance to award contracts up to the following values with the Suppliers as noted below, for the provision of buses and refuse collection vehicles as detailed in Appendix 1 of this report. All

contracts are individual direct awards under the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles and Municipal Vehicles (ref: 02/13)

- Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland; up to £826,356.00
- Nu-Track Limited; up to £383,389.00

2.1.2 The delivery dates for the vehicles are detailed within Appendix 1.

3. Background

- 3.1. Scotland Excel has established a Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles and Municipal Vehicles (ref: 02/13). All 32 Local Authorities in Scotland have the opportunity to utilise this Framework Agreement. Scotland Excel advertised the requirement for the framework agreement in the Official Journal of the European Union through Public Contracts Scotland portal.
- 3.2. The procurement processes undertaken to establish the Framework Agreement was the open tender procedure and were conducted in compliance with the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2012. 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. The Council's direct awards under the framework was conducted in accordance with the Council's Standing Order Relating to Contracts and in accordance with the requirements under the Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles and Municipal Vehicles (ref: 02/13).
- 3.4. Analysis of the Suppliers on the relevant Lots of the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Heavy and Municipal Vehicles (ref: 02/13) was undertaken. The analysis demonstrated that best value for money could be achieved by making direct awards for the vehicles as detailed in Appendix 1. This analysis took into consideration the benefits of continuity of fleet following an investment in training & maintenance equipment, delivery timescales and whole life costing from all suppliers able to meet the minimum requirements under the Framework Agreement.
- 3.5. The costs for these contracts will be met from the Community Resource's Capital budget allocation for the Vehicle Replacement Programme for financial year 2016/17.
- 3.6. Community and additional benefits were requested on a voluntary basis with the following commitments provided from Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland and Nu-Track Limited:

Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland:

- Talks in Renfrewshire schools with a Volvo Truck present, to advise on trucks and their safety features.
- Attendance at career days to promote the Industry and the benefits working in the industry can bring.

Nu-Track Limited:

- Attendance at career days to promote the industry and discuss potential career paths for pupils.
- Presentations in Renfrewshire schools with Nu-Track buses to advise on vehicle safety and the industry.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – These contracts will be funded from the capital budget allocation for the Vehicle Replacement Programme for FY2016/17.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – None
3. **Community Planning** – Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland, Nu-Track Limited have committed to the delivery of the community benefits as outline detailed at point 3.6 of this report.
4. **Legal** – The purchase of the heavy vehicles from these Suppliers was carried out in accordance with Renfrewshire Council's Standing Orders Relating to Contracts for direct awards under an existing framework, Contract Standing Order 27.5 and in accordance with the requirements under the Heavy Vehicles and Municipal Vehicles (ref: 02/13)
5. **Property Assets** – None.
6. **Information Technology** – None.
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** – All suppliers' health and safety tender submissions were evaluated by Scotland Excel at the time of awarding places to the Framework Agreement and were deemed to meet the minimum requirements.

9. **Procurement** – The procurement procedure outlined within this report shall ensure that the Council meets its statutory requirements in respect of procurement procedures, efficiency and Modern Government.
10. **Risk** – None.
11. **Privacy Impact** – None.

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Appendix 1

Supplier	Vehicle Requirement	Manufacturer	Model Number	Quantity	Scotland Excel Framework Agreement Utilised	Contract Value	Vehicle Delivery By
Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland	26 tonne bin lifter - Chassis only	Volvo	Volvo FE 6x2	4	Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (02/13) (Lot1)	£349,656.00	February 2017
Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland	RCV 26 tonne bin lifters – full vehicle	Volvo	Volvo FE 6x2	2	Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (02/13) (Lot 1, Lot 7, Lot 10)	£272,800.00	February 2017
Nu-Track Limited	24 Seat Accessible Bus	Nu-Track Limited	Accessible Bus	1	Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (02/13) (Lot 1, Lot 8)	£76,677.80	December 2016
Nu-Track Limited	24 Seat Accessible Bus	Nu-Track Limited	Accessible Bus	4	Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (02/13) (Lot 1, Lot 8)	£306,711.20	March 2017
Volvo Truck and Bus Centre Scotland	18 tonne Tipper	Volvo	Econ Unibody	2	Framework Agreement for Heavy Vehicles (02/13) (Lot 1, Lot 2)	£203,900.00	December 2016