

To: Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board

On: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017

Report by:

**Joint Report** 

By

# Chief Executive and the Director of Community Resources

Heading:

Contract Authorisation Report for Environmental Network Improvements RC/OC/110/18

# 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 NEC3 Term Service Short Contract for Environmental Network Improvements (RC/OC/110/18).
- 1.2 This procurement exercise has been tendered in accordance with Renfrewshire Council's Standing Orders Relating to Contracts and the below EU Threshold Open Procedure for Works.
- 1.3 A Contract Strategy was prepared by the Corporate Procurement unit for all Capital Resurfacing works 17/18 and approved by the Director of Community Resources and Strategic Commercial and Procurement Manager in May 2017.

# 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board authorise:
  - a) The award of the Contract for Environmental Network Improvements to Mac Asphalt Ltd

- b) The contract value of up to £300,000, excluding VAT, plus 10% contingency for any unforeseen works.
- c) The starting date is anticipated to be Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 and the completion date is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. The actual starting date will be confirmed in the Councils letter of acceptance.

# 3. Background

- 3.1 Community Resources are responsible for the management and maintenance of all roads, excluding trunk roads, within the Council's boundaries. This contract includes Environmental Network Improvements.
- 3.2 A contract notice was published on the Public Contract Scotland advertising portal on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017 with the tender documentation available for downloading from the Public Contract Scotland Tender website. During the tendering period 17 companies expressed an interest in the contract. By the closing date set for return of electronic tenders of 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017, 6 companies had submitted a response.
- 3.3 The 6 tender submissions were initially evaluated against a set of predefined bid selection criteria in the form of the European Single Procurement Document (ESPD) by representatives from Corporate Procurement Unit, Corporate Risk and Corporate Health & Safety. 1 submission failed as they failed to provide a response to mandatory elements within the ESPD.
- 3.4 The 5 submissions were evaluated against the pass fail requirements in addition to the ESPD. 2 submissions failed as evidence requested as part of a pass/fail technical question was not submitted. This was a bid requirement for this specific contract.
- 3.5 3 Tenderers met the bid selection criteria and were then evaluated against a set of award criteria which was based on 30% Technical and 70% Commercial.
- 3.6 The commercial responses of the 3 remaining tenderers were analysed to ensure completed Price Lists and Contractors Offers were submitted.
- 3.7 The scores relative to the award criteria of the tenderers are noted below:

	Price (%)	Quality (%)	Total (%)
Mac Asphalt Ltd	70.00	27.88	97.88
Finco Contracts Ltd	62.63	23.20	85.83
Newlay Civil Engineering Ltd	54.15	22.83	76.98

- 3.8 The evaluation of tenders received identified that the tender submitted by Mac Asphalt Ltd is the most economically advantageous.
- 3.9 Community Benefits were sought as part of this Contract and Mac Asphalt Ltd advised within their tender submission that the following Community Benefits would be available:

Community Benefit Description	No of People / Activity
Modern Apprenticeships	1
Work Experience Placements (16+ years of age)	2
Workplace Visits	1
Business Support Social Enterprises, Supported Businesses, Third Sector Organisations	1

- 3.10 The maximum budget available for this project is £300,000, plus 10% contingency however the actual costs will be dependent on the tasks issued throughout the contact and so may be less than the maximum budget. The Council will issue task orders, instructing the works as and when required throughout the Contract duration. The rates from the price list submitted by Mac Asphalt Ltd will apply to each task order. Financial costs in respect of this contract will be met by Community Resources Capital Budget for Financial Year 2017/18.
- 3.11 The Technical envelope contained a question around the management of multiple contracts. Tenderers were asked to confirm that they understand that if they are submitting bids for various resurfacing contracts then there is a risk of overlapping should they be successful for multiple contracts and that they have taken the on-site and completion dates in to consideration when preparing their bid. Tenderers were also asked to evidence how they will successfully manage multiple contracts if awarded more than one contract. The response submitted by Mac Asphalt Ltd was evaluated by the Service with no concerns raised.

# Implications of the Report

# 1. Financial

The financial status of Mac Asphalt Ltd was assessed by undertaking a Dun and Bradstreet evaluation and it confirmed that the company satisfied the Council's requirements in relation to financial stability.

# 2. HR & Organisational Development

No TUPE implications have arisen or are anticipated.

# 3. **Community Planning**

The community benefits submitted under this contract are listed within section 3.9 of this report.

# 4. Legal

The procurement of this contract has been conducted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders relating to Contracts using the open tender procedure.

### 5. Property Assets

In carrying out the work involved within the contract, it shall involve Environmental Network Improvements that will ultimately improve council maintained roads and transport infrastructure.

### 6. Corporate Services

None

# 7. Information Technology

None

# 8. Equality and 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.

#### 9. Health & Safety

There are no health and safety implications associated with award of the contract.

#### 10. 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.

### 11. Risk

Mac Asphalt Ltd insurances have been assessed and evaluated to confirm they meet the minimum requirements regarding insurable risk.

# 12. Privacy Impact

No Privacy Impact Assessment requirements were identified within this procurement.

# List of background papers

- (a) None
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