

## **TENDERING COMMITTEE**

At a Meeting of the Tendering Committee held in Meeting Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 15 February 2012 at 9.15 a.m.

**Present:** Councillors Jim Bollan, Jim Brown, Jim Finn and Jonathan McColl\*.

\*Arrived later in the meeting.

**Attending:** Peter Barry, Manager, Community Planning and Policy; Martin Feeney, Section Head, Housing Maintenance (Clydebank); John Corcoran, Programme Leader – General Services; Gavin Greer, Quantity Surveying Officer; Raymond Walsh, Network Management Services Co-ordinator; Ian Bain, Greenspace Manager; Vicky McGraw, Quality Improvement Officer (Pupil Support), Educational Services; Susan Mullin, Transport Co-ordinator, Educational Services; and Scott Kelly, Committee Officer, Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services.

**Apologies:** Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors David McBride and John Millar.

**Councillor Jim Finn in the Chair**

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of Meeting of the Tendering Committee held on 26 January 2012 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

### **TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF TEMPORARY AGENCY STAFF (CRAFT)**

With reference to the Minutes of Meetings of the Tendering Committee held on 16 December 2011 (Page XXX refers) and 26 January 2012 (Pages XXX refer), a report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of tenders received for the Supply of Temporary Agency Staff framework and seeking approval to award the three most economically advantageous tenders.

Having heard the Section Head, Housing Maintenance (Clydebank), in further explanation of the report and in answer to a Member's questions, the Committee agreed to approve the awarding of the tender to three companies; ASA International Recruitment Ltd, Brightworks Ltd and Search Consultancy Ltd.

### **EXTENSION TO THE ROAD LIGHTING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Tendering Committee held on 26 January 2012 (Pages XXX refer), a report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development seeking approval to extend the existing road lighting term maintenance contract on a further short term basis pending finalisation of the consideration of alternative business cases and, if appropriate, to commence a further procurement exercise for a new 4 year term period.

Having heard the Network Management Services Co-ordinator in further explanation of the report, the Committee agreed to approve the extension, on a further short term basis, of the Road Lighting Maintenance Contract to Lightways (Contractor) Ltd pending finalisation of the consideration of alternative business cases and, if appropriate, to commence a further procurement exercise.

### **EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT SERVICE**

A report was submitted by the Interim Executive Director of Corporate Services advising of tenders received for the delivery of the Employer Engagement Service as part of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Employability Programme, and seeking approval to accept the most economically advantageous tender.

Having heard the Community Planning Partnership Manager in further explanation of the report, the Committee agreed to approve the awarding of the contract to Employment Enterprise Consultancy Ltd as the most advantageous offer.

Councillor Bollan, having failed to obtain a seconder for a proposed motion, asked that his dissent be recorded in respect of this item.

### **SCHOOL TRANSPORT TENDERING PROCEDURES SESSION 2012/2013**

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Educational Services:-

- (a) informing of the proposed timetable for the processing of tenders for mainstream home-to-school contracts and for the transportation of pupils with additional support needs; and
- (b) seeking approval to proceed with the proposed timetable in order to secure contracts for school transport for session 2012/2013, and up to session 2016/2017 where contracts are for 5 years duration.

Having heard the Quality Improvement Officer (Pupil Support) and the Transport Co-ordinator in further explanation of the report and in answer to a Member's questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) that Educational Services should raise with Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) the concerns expressed by Councillor Bollan in relation to the service provided by First Bus for a separate contract which was previously awarded by West Dunbartonshire Council;
- (2) that approval be given to the Executive Director of Educational Services to proceed with the necessary arrangements to secure tenders for the transport of children with additional support needs for session 2012/2013 and beyond for contracts of up to 3 years duration;
- (3) that authority be given to the Executive Director of Educational Services to make the necessary arrangements in liaison with SPT to renew mainstream contracts for session 2012/2013, and beyond for contracts of up to 5 years duration; and
- (4) that delegated authority be granted to the Executive Director of Educational Services in consultation with the Convener of Education and Lifelong Learning Committee to make any changes to the arrangements as may be required as a result of budget related decisions affecting school transport policy from the Council Meeting on 26 January 2012 to ensure that the necessary arrangements are in place for school transport for session 2012/2013.

Note: Councillor J. McColl entered the meeting during consideration of this item.

### **ST. MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, DUMBARTON – CONSTRUCTION OF ALL WEATHER PITCH**

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of tenders received for the construction of an all weather pitch at St. Michael's Primary School, Dumbarton and seeking approval to accept the lowest tender.

Having heard the Programme Leader – General Services in further explanation of the report, the Committee agreed to approve the awarding of the contract to Fairways Sportsgrounds Ltd in the amount of £208,591.42.

### **DALMUIR PARK HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND REGENERATION PROJECT**

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of tenders received for the proposed restoration of Dalmuir Park and seeking approval to accept the most economically advantageous tender.

Having heard the Greenspace Manager in further explanation of the report and in answer to a Member's question, the Committee agreed to approve the awarding of the contract to Land Engineering in the amount of £1,024,993.04 as the most economically advantageous tender.

The meeting closed at 9.25 a.m.