

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development

Tendering Committee: 11 December 2012

Subject: Vale of Leven Industrial Estate - Path Improvement Scheme

1. Purpose

- 1.2** To advise the Committee of tenders received for the Vale of Leven Industrial Estate - Path Improvement Scheme and to seek approval to accept the lowest tender.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** This work will significantly improve access for the business tenants, their clients, services and the public in general within the estate.
- 2.2** The Committee is invited to approve the awarding of the contract to Greenlight Environmental Ltd. in the amount of £65,817.95.

3. Background

- 3.1** Tenders were issued to three contractors with only one returning the documents by the due date of 24th October 2012.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** The work comprises the upgrading of existing paths including renewing surfaces, providing new signs, way markers and notice boards and clearing felled trees.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** Design and Quantity Surveying services are being carried out in-house by the Consultancy Services Section of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1** Whilst only one tender was returned complete and on time, it has been checked arithmetically and represents good value by current pricing levels. Adjustments have been made where appropriate in accordance with the code of tendering procedure (see Appendix 1 - Statement of Tenders Received).
- 6.2** Funding of £25,000 is being provided by the Central Scotland Green Network with the remainder of the costs to come from the Local Economic Development budget.

7. Risk Analysis

- 7.1** Failure to carry out this work will result in continued deterioration of the footpaths which could result in the safety of the pedestrians becoming an issue. Furthermore, continued inadequate signage could impact on businesses in attracting new clients.
- 7.2** In relation to health and safety, appropriate measures will be incorporated in the construction phase health and safety plan for the project in accordance with the CDM Regulations 2007.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

- 8.1** Construction contracts of this specific nature, do not require equalities impact screening.

9. Consultation

- 9.1** The path improvement works were proposed in the Green Network Enhancement Study produced for the Vale of Leven Industrial Estate in 2011. During its development the Green Network Study was subject to consultation with businesses and employees within the Estate and residents of the adjoining housing estate. Once the works are completed the path will be promoted locally to residents and businesses. For example, employees in the industrial estate will be able to undertake lunch time walks along the route.

10. Strategic Assessment

- 10.1** This project is in accord with the Council's strategic priorities of improving economic growth and employability and improving the well-being of communities.

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Appendix: 1. Form ST/1 - Statement of Tenders Received

Background Papers: None

Wards Affected: 2