

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Executive Director of Housing Environmental & Economic Development

Tendering Committee: 7 December 2010

Subject: Tender for the Supply and Delivery of Roadstone and Ancillary Materials

1. Purpose

- 1.1** This report seeks Committee approval to collaborate with Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire, North Ayrshire, South Ayrshire, East Ayrshire, Argyll & Bute and Inverclyde Councils for the Supply and Delivery of Roadstone and Ancillary Materials.

2. Background

- 2.1** The contract for the Supply and Delivery of Roadstone and Ancillary Materials, currently managed by Scotland Excel on behalf of West Dunbartonshire Council, expires on 31st March 2011. The contract is now categorised as a Cat C commodity and requires West Dunbartonshire Council to put in place a contract.
- 2.2** Roads and Transportation (Roads Operations) currently have a requirement for the Supply and Delivery of Roadstone and Ancillary Materials. The Council's current contract supplier is Tarmac Northern Limited.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1** From 31st March 2011 there will be no formal contract in place for the Supply and Delivery of Roadstone and Ancillary Materials.
- 3.2** To achieve Best Value and compliance with EU Public Procurement regulations a collaboration with the aforementioned Councils should realise increased savings via increased buying power and economies of scale.
- 3.3** As the aggregated value of West Dunbartonshire Council's requirement exceed EU Procurement threshold of £156,442 The Council would be required to tender this requirement if it did not collaborate.
- 3.4** Renfrewshire Council have agreed to act as the lead authority for this exercise on behalf of the participating authorities.

4. People Implications

- 4.1** None.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1** The estimated annual spend on this requirement is £500,000 per annum and this can be accommodated within existing departmental budgetary provision. It is expected that the contract will be for 3 years with an option to extend for a further 12 months. The West Dunbartonshire Council contract is likely to have a value estimated at £1,500,000.

6 Risk Analysis

- 6.1** If the contract is not re-tendered the existing, or another non contract supplier will be able to provide the supply, however, the prices will be subject to market fluctuation.

7. Equalities Impact

- 7.1** No significant issues were identified in a screening for potential equality impact of this report

8. Conclusions and Recommendations

- 8.1** The Committee is invited to approve collaborating with Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire, North Ayrshire, South Ayrshire, East Ayrshire, Argyll & Bute and Inverclyde Councils in a competitive tendering procedure.
- 8.2** A tendering exercise, led by Renfrewshire Council, will provide competitive and transparent tendering for the Supply and Delivery Roadstone and Ancillary Materials. It will also remove the need for West Dunbartonshire Council to tender this requirement alone.

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