

TENDERING COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Tendering Committee held in Meeting Room 2, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Thursday, 26 January 2012 at 10.00 a.m.

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

Attending: Peter Barry, Manager, Community Planning and Policy; Martin Feeney, Section Head, Housing Maintenance (Clydebank); John Corcoran, Programme Leader – General Services; Stewart Paton, HRA Capital Programme Leader – Consultancy Services; Chris Fairclough, Architectural Assistant; Jonathan Muir, Development Officer; Raymond Walsh, Network Management Services Co-ordinator; Sally Michael, Principal Solicitor; John Mitchell, Solicitor; and Scott Kelly, Committee Officer, Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Geoff Calvert, David McBride, Jim McElhill 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 16 December 2011 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF TEMPORARY AGENCY STAFF (CRAFT)

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Tendering Committee held on 16 December 2011 (Page 4058 refers), 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 Councillor J. McColl, the Committee unanimously agreed:-

- (1) to note that prior to the present meeting, Councillor Finn had spoken with the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development to query the submission of the report to this meeting of the Committee as it was understood that a report on procurement, which may inform on any decision taken by the Committee in respect of this tender, would be submitted to the March 2012 meeting of the Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee;
- (2) to note that Councillor Finn had requested that the Executive Director speak with the Leader of the Council to explain the requirement for the report to be considered by the Tendering Committee prior to the March 2012 meeting of the Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee;
- (3) to note that the Executive Director had not yet spoken with the Leader of the Council in relation to this matter; and
- (4) to continue consideration of this report to a future meeting of the Committee, to be held after the March 2012 meeting of the Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee, or earlier if the Executive Director is able to provide the Leader of the Council with an explanation of the requirement for the report to be considered more urgently.

TENDER FOR THE EXTERNAL LEGAL ADVISER FOR PARTIAL HOUSING STOCK TRANSFER

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of tenders received for the appointment of a Legal Adviser for the Partial Housing Stock Transfer project.

Having heard the Principal Solicitor in further explanation of the report and in answer to a Member's questions, the Committee agreed to approve the awarding of this contract to HBJ Gateley.

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

JOB BROKERAGE SERVICE

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

After discussion and having heard the Manager, Community Planning and Policy and the Solicitor in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, 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.

DESIGN AND BUILD OF EXTERNAL FABRIC UPGRADE OF 13 IN NUMBER FLATTED PROPERTIES, ROSSHEAD, ALEXANDRIA INCLUDING ASSOCIATED CESP FUNDING

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of tenders received for the Design and Build of External Fabric Upgrade to 13 in number flatted properties at Rosshead and seeking approval to accept the most economically advantageous tender.

Having heard the HRA Capital Programme Leader - Consultancy Services and the Architectural Assistant 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 Keepmoat in the amount of £2,699,039.03.

ONE STOP SHOP, ALEXANDRIA

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of tenders received for the One Stop Shop, Alexandria project and seeking approval to accept the lowest tender.

Having heard the Programme Leader - General Services and the Manager, Community Planning and Policy in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to approve the awarding of the contract to Alexander Arthur & Sons (Scotland) Ltd in the amount of £61,682.77; and
- (2) that the Manager, Community Planning and Policy should, before April 2012, issue a briefing note to all elected members outlining all of the services which will be provided by the One Stop Shop and describing the means by which members of the public will access these services.

EXTENSION TO THE ROAD LIGHTING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

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 and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed that a more detailed report in relation to this matter should be submitted to the meeting of the Committee scheduled to be held on 15 February 2012, providing information on: (i) the costs of extending the contract by 6 months and 12 months; and (ii) the quality of the service provided by Lightways (Contractor) Ltd.

The meeting closed at 10.30 a.m.