

Minutes of the meeting of PROCUREMENT AND COMMISSIONING held on TUESDAY 19 JANUARY 2016 at 6.00 pm

Present: Councillor Miles (Chair)
Councillors Legg and Long.

Officers: S Gerrard (Interim Service Director [Legal & Democratic Services]), C Southern (Head of Strategic Procurement), D Beaumont (Partnering Manager), J Grace (Head of Major Works) and T Milner (Committee Manager).

Apologies: Councillors Clifton, E Gifford, Marland, Middleton and O'Neill.

PC89 MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the meetings of Procurement and Commissioning held on 15 December 2015 and 5 January 2016 be approved and signed by the Chair as correct records.

PC90 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None declared.

PC91 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting by virtue of Paragraph 3 (Information Relating to the Financial or Business Affairs of the Authority) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, in order that the Committee may consider the Annex to the following report:

Award of Contract – Communal Heating System at Radcote Lodge (Ref: CU2455)

PC92 AWARD OF CONTRACT – COMMUNAL HEATING SYSTEM AT RADCOTE LODGE (REF: CU2455)

The Committee considered awarding the contract for the Communal Heating System at Radcote Lodge, sheltered housing schemes in Two Mile Ash.

The Committee heard from Councillor Long, the responsible Cabinet member for Health and Wellbeing, who indicated that the new replacement Combined Heat and Power (CHP) heating system would further the Council's low carbon strategy by reducing carbon emissions, also Radcote Lodge would see a reduction in energy consumption and running costs.

The Partnering Manager reassured the Committee that although the initial installation cost for the new CHP system was slightly more

expensive when compared to installing a conventional gas-fired boiler, the CHP system would be more efficient and cost effective for Radcote Lodge by reducing the amount of fuel used.

The Committee heard that of the 12 tenders received, only 7 tenders were evaluated as the other 5 tenders were incomplete/non-compliant. Of the 7 evaluated only one bidder met the minimum quality threshold of 60%. Moderation was undertaken with Corporate Procurement to provide additional scrutiny to validate the quality scores. There was a wide variety of reasons that bidders failed to meet the threshold and this information would be used to inform future training/pre-market engagement.

The Head of Strategic Procurement indicated that the tender was of a technical nature, which required quality to be very important. It was the intention to make training available for contractors to help them to understand the nature of the Council's requirements for future contracts of a similar technical nature.

RESOLVED -

That the contract for the replacement of the communal heating system at Radcote Lodge sheltered housing scheme be awarded to the tenderer who has scored the highest in accordance with the Most Economically Advantageous Tender evaluation.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 6.08PM