

The Vale of Glamorgan Council

Cabinet Meeting: 5 September, 2016

Report of the Cabinet Member for Visible, Leisure and Regulatory Services

Cemetery Road Park Scheme - Award of Contract for Main Works

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval and delegations to allow the award of the main works contract to Ground Control Ltd.

Recommendation

1. That Cabinet note the intention to recommend the appointment of a contractor for the main works contract for the Cemetery Road Park Scheme, the details of which are the subject of a Part II report which follows later on this agenda.

Reason for the Recommendation

1. To advise Cabinet and members of the public of progress on this important regeneration project which is being delivered in partnership with Barry Town Council.

Background

2. Members will be aware that there are proposals to construct a park and small community building on the Council's land holding to either side of Cemetery Road in Barry and, upon completion, to provide a long lease to the Barry Town Council in order that it can take over control and maintenance of the new park.
3. The Barry Town Council has agreed to co-fund the scheme construction costs and has entered into an arrangement with the Council to co-fund the scheme providing £250,000 towards the costs. The Vale of Glamorgan Council has been funding the scheme feasibility costs and the ground preparation works to date and has set aside further funds to allow delivery of the scheme. The Capital Programme allocation for the scheme is £550,000. This is inclusive of the Barry Town Council funding which will be drawn down as required against expenditure.
4. Although the scheme includes proposals for both a small community building on the site and the renovation of the small World War 2 air raid shelter these items have not been included in the current tender package. The main landscaping works were the

subject of a planning application which was approved in 2014 but that application did not include a community building. A planning application has recently been submitted for the proposed community building and its construction will be the subject of a further procurement exercise in due course along with the air raid shelter refurbishment.

Relevant Issues and Options

5. The main works construction contract was tendered via the SellToWales site and a deadline of the 5th August 2016 was given for submissions.
6. Bidders were required to provide information indicating their experience of this form of contract, examples of similar schemes they have undertaken and details of their methodology for delivering the contracted works. The tender brief indicated that the tenders would be assessed on the basis of both quality and price with 70% of the scoring weighted against price.
7. Four bids were received as follows:
 - Afan Landscapes Ltd
 - Alan Griffiths Ltd
 - Ground Control Ltd
 - Landscape Group Ltd
8. Following a detailed appraisal of the bids, by the Council's appointed Consultant and representatives of both the Barry Town Council and the Council, with regard to both the quality assessment and price the submissions were ranked and Ground Control Ltd was ranked first in terms of price and quality.
9. The detailed appraisal of the bids is contained in the Part II Cabinet Report.

Resource Implications (Financial and Employment)

10. The Capital Programme allocation is sufficient budget to cover the cost of this contract.

Sustainability and Climate Change Implications

11. Issues of sustainability are to be covered under method statements which will form part of the contract documentation.

Legal Implications (to Include Human Rights Implications)

12. Appropriate contract documentation will need to be provided, signed and sealed in accordance with the Council's Contract Standing Orders.

Crime and Disorder Implications

13. None

Equal Opportunities Implications (to include Welsh Language issues)

14. The preferred contractor has provided a copy of their Equality Policy which will form part of the contract provisions.

Corporate/Service Objectives

15. The proposal would support the Corporate Plan in its promotion of the regeneration of the area of Barry.

Policy Framework and Budget

16. This is a matter for Executive decision.

Consultation (including Ward Member Consultation)

17. The development of the scheme has been taken forward in consultation with the Barry Town Council.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee

18. Environment and Regeneration

Background Papers

None

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Officers Consulted

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