

**NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL
DECISION**

DECISION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND THE SECTION 151 OFFICER OF THE COUNCIL, CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE



DECISION NO: CSD149

SUBJECT: Provision of Specialist Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Design, CDM Principal Designer and Surveying Services

BACKGROUND:

The Executive Committee approved the P & C (Children's) capital programme for 2015/2017 on 15th March 2015 and received a subsequent capital maintenance grant for 2016/2017 in February 2016.

The approval also included the provision to use the SCAPE National Framework Contracts for Major and Minor Works projects and also NSC Framework & Term Contracts. These procurement vehicles provide integrated works contracts for the delivery of complex small and large schemes.

Within the funding allocations lists are the provision of Capital Maintenance and small Basic Need Schemes across the Schools estate. These schemes are generally smaller and are delivered via various framework/term contracts including the Council's own framework/ term contracts, already in place. These schemes require support from specialist design, (CDM Principal Designer) 'construction design and management' coordinator provision and also surveying, as necessary. These services are available via the SCAPE National Asset Management Framework Contract, for which the Council has Section 151 and Monitoring Officer approval to use.

This detailed and specialist work is required to ensure compliance with the Council's Contract Standing Orders is in place.

This report therefore proposes a recommendation for a Directors Decision to place orders under the SCAPE National Asset Management Framework.

Proposed Action

It is proposed to place orders with the SCAPE National Asset Management Framework contractor Faithful and Gould (WS Atkins) for the provision of these services.

It is proposed that contract orders are placed within the financial limits of the approved Capital Programmes and in total will not exceed an estimated total of the £150k in cumulative value.

It is anticipated that the Council will benefit from this specialist resource which will generate savings in time and allow an efficient delivery of its capital programme.

The costs will be met from within existing Capital project budgets.

DECISION:

To allow the placing of orders for specialist Mechanical and Electrical engineering Design, CDM Coordinator and Surveying services from Faithful and Gould (WS Atkins) in support of the CYPS/Corporate Capital Programme for 2016/2017.

Reasons:

To allow the delivery of projects requiring specialist support of the CYPS Capital Programme for 2016/2017.

Other Alternatives Considered:


Other options are available but none will provide the speed and efficiency required to respond to the programme agreed by the Executive. There were no alternatives considered to be worth pursuing further, as they did not demonstrate a capability to advance the programme and achieve the desired benefits within the necessary time frame.

Financial Implications:

The cost of the commission/s are within the approved capital budgets for the CYPS/Corporate Capital Programme.

Implications for Future Years:

None

Signed : 

Dated: 25/4/16

Mike Jackson
(Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Services)

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Dated: 20/4/16

Malcolm Coe
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