



Glasgow City Council

Report by Director of Legal and Administration

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Item 6

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The provision of an Active Travel Strategy – Inner North & South City Network

Tender Reference: - GCC005899CPU

Purpose of Report:

To submit details of the tenders received for the provision of an Active Travel Strategy – Inner North & South City Network and recommend acceptance of the most economically advantageous tender as detailed in this report.

Recommendations:

The Contracts and Property Committee is requested to approve the award of a contract for the provision of an Active Travel Strategy – Inner North & South City Network to the supplier listed below.

Aecom Limited
Companies House Number - 1846493

Ward No(s): Xxxxxxxx

Citywide: ✓

Local member(s) advised: Yes **No** consulted: Yes No

1 Background and Tender

- 1.1 Glasgow City Council's ("the council's") budget for the provision of an Active Travel Strategy – Inner North & South City Network is £1,480,000.
- 1.2 The council's Active Travel Strategy sets out the concept of a City Network which would provide on street, connected and protected cycle lanes that will be within 400m of all residences and schools in Glasgow whilst being accessible all year round by 2031.
- 1.3 Work has been undertaken on the routing of the network within the interim and final City Network Delivery Plan (Plan). The scope of this contract seeks to expand on the work undertaken in relation to the final Plan and to develop preliminary design packages for several areas throughout Glasgow in a phased approach. For this reason, two areas of the Inner North and South are being progressed to concept and preliminary design alongside the Plan. This includes appraisal and preliminary design of 40km of road, 40 junctions and survey work that will allow progress to Technical Design.
- 1.4 A commodity team consisting of stakeholders from Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) and the Corporate Procurement Unit (CPU) was formed to develop the sourcing strategy and deliver a new contract.
- 1.5 It was agreed that a mini-competition process under lot 2 (Transportation & Traffic) of Scotland Excel's Engineering & Consultancy framework, would be the most appropriate method to deliver this contract.
- 1.6 The duration of the contract is 16 months from contract start date.
- 1.7 The contract will be utilised by NRS.

2 Evaluation

- 2.1 All 12 contractors appointed to lot 2 of the framework were invited to participate in the mini competition and 6 submitted a bid. Of the 6 contractors that did not submit a bid, the majority cited a lack of capacity due to other commitments
- 2.2 The award evaluation was based on the following criteria and weightings:-

Price	Quality	Quality Sub Criteria
35%	65%	Understanding of Brief – 15%
		Surveying and Traffic Management – 10%
		Sustainability, Connectivity and Movement – 10%
		Project Management – 10%
		Stakeholder Engagement – 10%
		Team Structure – 5%
		Fair Work First – 5%

- 2.3 Bidders were asked to submit notional costs for Topographical Surveys and Traffic Modelling costs. This was to ensure the activities were considered and provide budget certainty for the funders. However, the notional costs were not scored and did not form part of the commercial evaluation process.
- 2.4 The evaluation of award scoring and estimated award value of the supplier which has been recommended for award is shown in the table below:-

Supplier	Total Evaluation Score	Total Contract Value
Aecom Limited	90.63%	£994,733

A summary of the unsuccessful tender evaluation results can be found at Appendix A.

- 2.5 NRS will monitor the supplier's day to day operational performance. Overall contract and supplier performance will be managed by the CPU.

3 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial:

The budget for this contract was £1,480,000. As set out in paragraph 2.5, The award value of the contract is £994,733.30.

As set out in paragraph 2.3, bidders were also asked to submit notional values for topographical surveys and traffic modelling which equates to £355,000, if required.

The tender has resulted in a cost avoidance saving of £130,266 based on a comparison of the tender value, inclusive of notional costs, and the original budget.

Legal:

The report raises no new legal issues.

The Director of Legal and Administration will be responsible for concluding the contract

Personnel:

No direct personnel implications

Procurement:

As detailed in section 1.5

Council Strategic Plan:

Grand Challenge 1, Mission 3. Grand Challenge 2, Mission 2. Grand Challenge 3, Mission 1 & 2. Grand Challenge 4, Mission 1 & 2

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2021-25

Yes – The proposal supports best practice in the procurement of services

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

An EQIA was carried out for the overarching Local Transport Strategy and ongoing for Liveable Neighbourhoods and Active Travel Strategy.

The work will be covered by the overarching EQIA for the Glasgow Transport Strategy. Individual EQIA screenings will be undertaken for the individual projects as appropriate.

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio economic disadvantage.

Fair Work First was included as part of the award criteria with a weighting of 5%.

The supplier recommended for award, Aecom Limited, confirmed various fair work practices. The key areas are as follows:

- Accredited Real Living Wage supplier
- They do not have any employees on zero-hour contracts.

Community Benefits – Contractual community benefits were included in this contract with a minimum of 50 community benefits points being provided. The community benefits outcomes agreed are as follows:

- School Mentoring or Enterprise Programme x 1
- Community Engagement - Non-Financial Support (min. 5 hrs.) x 10

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions?

Climate Plan Theme 3 – Well Connected and Thriving City.

Please specify:

Improving Infrastructure for walking, cycling and remote working. A Liveable Neighbourhoods Plan, looking to implement 20 minutes neighbourhoods in the city and embed sustainable practices throughout.

Active Travel Strategy setting the ambition and workplan that will also deliver on the city and neighbourhood networks.

Action Number 51. Deliver a comprehensive active travel network, incorporating the spaces for people measures (following consultation) and enabling 20-minute neighbourhoods through the Liveable Neighbourhoods Plan.

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?

The projects will improve Glasgow's urban environment and connectivity, thus leading to an improvement in a range of outcomes for the city's population

Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?

The proposal will assist in reducing the need to travel unsustainably and encourage people to live more locally improving the quality of place and respond to the requirements for the creation of resilient places to cope with and tackle climate change.

Privacy and Data Protection impacts:

No data protection impacts identified.

4 Recommendations

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Appendix A

Supplier	Total Evaluation Score
Systra Limited Companies House Number - 03383212	83.55%
Atkins Companies House Number - 688424	80.00%
Arcadis Companies House Number - 2212959	79.75%
Mott MacDonald Companies House Number - 243967	77.11%
Jacobs Companies House Number - 2594504	76.79%