North Lanarkshire Council Report

Enterprise and Growth Committee

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RIA South Multidisciplinary Project Services - Contract Award

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Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to ask the Committee to approve the award of a contract for Multidisciplinary Project Services, to support the delivery of the Glasgow City Region City Deal Ravenscraig Infrastructure Access South project, to Amey OW Limited (the "Contract").

The Contract is for a period of 7 years encompassing periods of design, planning and construction and Contract Management.

This award follows the completion of a procurement exercise, where the tender recommended for contract award has been evaluated as providing the most economically advantageous tender in terms of cost and quality for the Council.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee:

1) Approve the award of the contract for the Ravenscraig Infrastructure Access South Multidisciplinary Project Services to Amey OW Limited at a cost of £633,080.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority Improve economic opportunities and outcomes

Ambition statement (5) Grow and improve the sustainability and diversity of North

Lanarkshire's economy

1 Background

- 1.1 The procurement of a consultant has followed recent approvals by the Council's Policy and Strategy Committee on 21st March 2019, and the Glasgow City Region Cabinet on the 9th April 2019, for the revised City Deal programme including support for the Ravenscraig Access Infrastructure project.
- 1.2 The decision to award the Contract follows the more recent granting of planning permission in principle for the revised masterplan for Ravenscraig on 24th June 2019.
- 1.3 Earlier approval to procure Professional Services to develop the proposed Ravenscraig Infrastructure Access forming part of the Pan Lanarkshire Orbital Transport Corridor, in accordance with the Glasgow City Region City Deal Procurement Strategy, was given by the Council's Enterprise and Housing Committee on 10th May 2018.

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- 2.1 This procurement of services with a value above the EU Threshold, was undertaken via call off from an existing framework using a mini-competition. The Scotland Excel: 0616 Engineering and Technical Consultancy Services Framework Agreement, and specifically Lot 1 Roads & Structures, was used. The mini-competition followed initial market testing through the issue of a Capacity and Capability Inquiry, and the determination and approval of a Sourcing Methodology.
- 2.2 The contract award has been made on the basis of the Contractor who submitted the most economically advantageous tender. The recommendation and award followed a process of checking, validating and clarifying the tenders to satisfy the Council of their compliance with tender requirements and robustness. This process led to an extended period of assessment prior to a recommendation being made.
- 2.3 The development and delivery of the Ravenscraig Infrastructure Access South project necessitates close working with a number of stakeholders. In particular the team appointed through this Contract will work closely with Network Rail during the autumn/winter 2019 in the development of the Outline Business Case.
- 2.4 A summary of the outcome of the process is provided at Appendix 1, and further details of the procurement process is provided at Appendix 2.
- 2.5 The Contract will be managed by the designated Senior Project Manager within the Enterprise Projects Team which will be undertaken in accordance with the Council's agreed approach to Contract and Supplier Management.

3 Equality and Diversity

3.1 Fairer Scotland

3.1.1 The development of infrastructure to support the regeneration of Ravenscraig; will improve the social and environmental wellbeing of the Council area. This commission will specifically contribute to ensuring that robust and appropriate proposals are developed and implemented.

3.2 Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.2.1 An Assessment has been carried out for the Glasgow City Region City Deal Infrastructure Fund. This forms a part of the brief to project and design team and will be re-evaluated throughout the design, planning, procurement and implementation process.
- 3.2.2 The project team and consultants will consult with a number of advisory groups including the Disability Access Panel during the design and planning process.

4 Implications

4.1 Financial Impact

- 4.1.1 The award of the Contract to Amey OW Limited for £633,080 is considered to represent the best value for money to the Council. The cost of this procurement will be met from the City Deal Programme, which combines capital funding from UK and Scottish Governments and Member Authorities.
- 4.1.2 The Council has entered into a Grant Agreement with Glasgow City Council, as lead authority of the City Deal Cabinet for the drawdown of capital funds. The cost of progressing this project will initially be incurred by North Lanarkshire Council and then reimbursed by the Cabinet in accordance with this Grant Agreement and the wider City Deal approval processes.

4.2 HR/Policy/Legislative Impact

- 4.2.1 With a population of 1.8m, the Glasgow City Region is critical to the Scottish and UK economy. Accounting for 32% of national GVA and 29% of Scotland's businesses, Glasgow City Region offers a unique conurbation of scale with a highly skilled labour market and facilities to compete on an international stage. City Deal allows its partner Local Authorities to exploit the collective economic power and opportunities generated by the region.
- 4.2.2 The Consultant recommended for contract award has given a commitment to delivering community benefits including, graduate, apprenticeship and work experience placements, they shall host careers and supply chain events, organise school mentoring programmes and engage with the community.

4.3 **Environmental Impact**

4.3.1 The consultant appointed will support the development of robust and deliverable proposals that ensure environmental issues including contamination, are properly understood and able to be overcome or mitigated. The proposals will be supported by detailed considerations of the environmental impact including ecology, and the design and specification for the works will include for requirements of energy, materials, waste etc.

4.4 Risk Impact

- 4.4.1 The risk and mitigation management of North Lanarkshire's City Deal activity is incorporated within the Council's City Deal programme risk register which is managed and reviewed by the Council's City Deal Steering Group.
- 4.4.2 Risks will be managed by the designated Senior Project Manager in accordance with the contract specification and in accordance with the Council's agreed approach to Contract and Supplier Management.
- 4.4.3 The award of this contract between Committee cycles, and in accordance with the Council's General Contract Standing Orders, has enabled the Council to maintain the programme milestones for the project.

5 Measures of success

5.1 Award of this Contract allows the development of detailed proposals including the Outline Business Case for the Ravenscraig Infrastructure Access project. Subject to planning and other approvals by City Deal, this Contract supports the development of the new road infrastructure facilitating the development and regeneration of Ravenscraig.

6 Supporting Documents

Appendix 1 Summary of Award Stage Evaluation

Appendix 2 Summary of Procurement and Evaluation

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Appendix 1 – Summary of Evaluation Process

Award Stage Evaluation Outcome

Price Weighting	50%	Quality Weighting	50%	
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Tenderer Name	Weighted Price Score	Weighted Qualitative Score pre- presentation	Tender Score pre- presentation *	Total Tender Score	Final Rank
Amey	50.00%	35.50%	85.50%	89.50%	1
RPS Consulting Services Ltd	19.57%	38.50%	58.07%	58.07%	2
AECOM	17.07%	36.75%	53.82%	53.82%	3
Dougall Baillie Associates Ltd	18.94%	31.25%	50.19%	50.19%	4
Sweco UK Limited	9.99%	37.75%	47.74%	47.74%	5

^{*} Note. Only those tenderers achieving a combined technical and commercial score within 5% of the highest placed bidder prior to assessment of the Presentations were invited to give a presentation to the Council and its project team.

Appendix 2 – Summary of Procurement and Evaluation Process

Contract title	Ravenscraig Infrastructure South –		
	Multidisciplinary Project Services		
Estimated contract start date	16 th September 2019		
Initial contract period adopted by the Council (months)	7 years		
Contract period extension option (months)	As required by associated works contract		
Estimated total contract value including extension option	up to £2,000,000.00 (provisional upper limit of the budget estimate prior to tender. The successful tender has been subject to clarification and validation)		
Governing UK Regulation	Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015		
Procurement procedure adopted	Call off via mini-competition from existing framework		
Number of organisations invited to tender	18		
Number of tenders received	5		
Number of non-compliant tenders	0		
Number of compliant tenders	5		
Number of recommender providers	1		
Basis of contract award	Most economically advantageous tender Price 50% / Quality 50%		
Evaluation Team	NLC Enterprise Projects		