

26 August 2020 at 2 pm.

A Remote Meeting of the **ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor McPake, Convener; Councillor Mooney, Vice-Convener; Councillors Anderson, J. Ashraf, Carragher, Di Mascio, Docherty, Doolan, Douglas, Duffy, Goldie, Gourlay, Hogg, Lennon, Logue, McManus, McNeil, Reddin, Roarty, Annette Valentine, Weir, and Wilson.

CHAIR

Councillor McPake (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Head of Environmental Assets; Head of Regulatory Services and Waste Solutions, and Committee Officer.

APOLOGIES

Councillor Cullen and Stocks

CONVENERS REMARKS

Councillor McPake wished to place on record his thanks for the outstanding work that all parts of the Service had undertaken during lockdown under very challenging circumstances, Councillor Goldie added his thanks and endorsed the Convener's remarks.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. The meeting noted that there were no declarations of interest.

WINTER SERVICE POLICY AND PROCEDURES 2020/21

2. There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental Assets (1) presenting in the Appendix to the report details of the proposed Winter Service Policy and Procedures 2020/21; (2) advising that the Council had an obligation under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 to take such steps as it considered reasonable to prevent snow and ice endangering the safe passage of pedestrians and vehicles over public roads; (3) highlighting that this obligation was discharged through the Council's Term Maintenance Contract with Amey Public Services Limited Liability Partnership, and (4) intimating that, in order to ensure that this obligation was met, the Council was required to undertake an annual review of its processes and procedures.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report and the Appendix be noted, and
- (2) that the Winter Service Policy and Procedures 2020/21, as detailed in the Appendix to the report, be agreed as the basis for winter service delivery in the coming year.

UPDATE ON DEPOT RATIONALISATION

3. There was submitted a report by the Head of Regulatory Services and Waste Solutions (1) providing an update on the Depot Rationalisation exercise taking place across Waste, Fleet and Land Services and the move towards the electrification of the Council Fleet; (2) setting out in Section 2.1 of the report the current and proposed depot facilities included in the overall rationalisation exercise to allow a temporary overall reduction in the number of depots from ten to five, thereafter reducing to a maximum of two depots; (3) providing details of the indicative timeline for the movement of staff across the two service areas, and (4) intimating that the existing fleet workshop in Bellshill had been subject to significant water ingress over the previous six months and arrangements were currently being made to complete the demolition of this building, to be replaced with a bespoke facility, as the cost of repairing the building was higher than the costs associated with a new build workshop which would be more suitably sized and designed and enable adaptations to be included, thereafter meeting future requirements as the Council progresses towards an electric fleet.

Decided: that the steps taken to rationalise the depot facilities across the Council, to provide a more efficient operating model and allow a move towards the electrification of the Council fleet, be noted.

REVOCAION OF CROY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA

4. There was submitted a report by the Head of Regulatory Services and Waste Solutions (1) intimating that the Croy Air Quality Management Area was declared in 2011 for breaches of the national air quality objective in respect of annual mean levels of pollutant particulate matter; (2) indicating that for the past 8 years the annual particulate matter concentrations have been recorded below the National Air Quality Objective Level and the general trend was decreasing; (3) advising that as the particulate matter level had fallen below the statutory objective it had been concluded that the Croy Air Quality Management Area should be revoked under Section 83(2) of the Environment Act 1995, and (4) proposing that a Revocation Order be drawn up in conjunction with Legal Services and the Order advertised to statutory consultees prior to coming into effect in Autumn 2020.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted, and
- (2) that the revocation of the Croy Air Quality Management Area be endorsed and approved.

SMART WASTE MONITORING PROJECT

5. There was submitted a report by the Head of Regulatory Services and Waste Solutions providing details on a proposal for a potential partnership with Zero Waste Scotland for a Smart Waste Monitoring Project (1) providing details of Zero Waste Scotland's proposal to work in partnership with the Council to trial the use of Smart Technologies that measure how much waste individual households recycle and dispose of and providing data test interventions that would improve recycling rates; (2) indicating that the trial would monitor performance across approximately 5,000 households to measure individual household participation in recycling and test the success of different interventions with householders, and (3) providing details of the support which will be provided by Zero Waste Scotland from the funding of approximately £150,000.

Decided: that the introduction of a Smart Waste Monitoring Project in partnership with Zero Waste Scotland be approved.

FLEET PROCUREMENT - TYRES FOR VEHICLES AND PLANT

6. There was submitted a report by the Head of Regulatory Services and Waste Solutions (1) advising that the Executive Director (Enterprise and Communities), under delegated authority, had approved the award of a call off contract for the supply of tyres for vehicles and plant; (2) reporting on the outcome of the tendering process which was undertaken in April 2020 and split into three lots, and (3) advising that, after checking, the most economically advantageous tender for the Fleet Procurement – Tyres for Vehicles and Plant Contract was that submitted by McConechy's Tyre Service Limited, up to the maximum value of £800,000 for a period of two years.

Decided: that the action of the Executive Director (Enterprise and Communities), under delegated authority to award the contract for the Fleet Procurement – Supply of Tyres and Plant to McConechy's Tyre Services Limited up to a maximum of £800,000, as detailed in the report, be noted.

CONTRACTS AWARDED BELOW COMMITTEE APPROVAL THRESHOLD

7. There was submitted a report by the Head of Asset and Procurement Solutions providing, in the appendix to the report, details of contracts which had been awarded by the Head of Asset and Procurement Solutions, under delegated authority, during the period from 1 April to 30 June 2020.

Decided: that the contents of the report and appendix be noted.