

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS
Meeting: EXECUTIVE
Date: 19 AUGUST 2014
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report summarises the decision taken by the Director of Development Services, following appropriate consultation, under the powers delegated by Council on 25 June 2014.

2. DECISION MADE

- 2.1 As a consequence of the aim to create a lasting legacy from the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, **sportscotland** sought notes of interest from athletics organisations in respect of the re-use of the olympic standard athletics track laid at Hampden Stadium for the games. Falkirk Community Trust submitted a bid to **sportscotland** which would give the opportunity to secure a replacement track surface for Grangemouth Sports Stadium of a much higher specification than would otherwise be feasible within the current budget allocation for the track replacement project. To enable the Community Trust to be in a position to take advantage of this legacy opportunity, authority was sought for an exemption to competition under contract standing order 5.8, to allow Development Services (as technical and procurement advisors to Falkirk Community Trust) to engage directly with the commonwealth games track supplier/installer (Mondo UK Ltd) and their supporting groundworks contractor (WH Malcolm Ltd), to enter into a contract for the installation of the legacy athletics track at Grangemouth Stadium. Subsequently, a single tender was invited from WH Malcolm Ltd for the contract in respect of the installation of the legacy athletics track at Grangemouth Sports Stadium, along with related ancillary works.
- 2.2 The criteria used in assessment of best value are: quality (in relation to achieving a track specification of a much higher standard than would otherwise have been possible), financial (to achieve the track replacement within existing budget provision), performance (proven ability by the contractor in this specialised area of work), and the recognition that comes from supporting the legacy objectives of the Commonwealth Games, to the benefit of the Council and Community Trust.
- 2.3 A tender was received by the due date of 15th August 2014 and opened in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.
- 2.4 The tendered price was assessed against a pre tender cost check carried out by the specialist sports track consultant appointed by the Council for the works specification, and the final tendered price compared favourably with this assessment.
- 2.5 The tender received from WH Malcolm Ltd, 865 South Street, Glasgow, G14 0BX is in the sum of £593,498.15 and in consideration of the criteria in section 2.2, represents best value for the Council and Falkirk Community Trust.

- 2.6 I consulted with the Chief Governance Officer and, having notified both the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder of the proposed award, I have entered into a contract with that party, all in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(iii) relating to contracts.
- 2.7 The tender can be contained within the block expenditure figure for Falkirk Community Trust projects, as identified in the General Capital Programme 2014/2017.

3 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Executive note the decision made by Chief Officers under powers delegated by Council on 25 June 2014.

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Director of Development Services
15/08/2014

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. *Tender documents
2. *Tender Report
3. List of Addresses (Optional - for use where the addresses cannot be identified from the contract title)

*Item not for publication on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.