

Delegated authority officer decision notice

Decision made by	Head of Development and Corporate Landlord in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment.					
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Decision	South Oxfordshire District Council to approve the award of the					
(Keep this succinct)	contract for the works to install new accessible moorings and					
,	includes a new ramp and pathways, resurface the road and					
	refurbishment of a hut, to Greenford Limited, Unit 1, London Road,					
	Wheatley, Oxford OX33 1JH at Riverside, Wallingford at the cost of					
	£209,534.50 excluding VAT.					
Key decision? (see notes below)	Yes – as it incurs expenditure of more than £75,000.					
If key decision, has	No					
call-in been waived by						
the Scrutiny						
Committee chair(s)?						
Confidential decision,	No					
and if so under which						
exempt category?						
Delegated authority	The following delegations in the Scheme of Delegations apply to this					
reference from the	decision:					
constitution	The exercising of delegated powers, of the Head of Development					
	and Corporate Landlord to 1.1 to manage the councils land and					
	property portfolio.					
	• Financial - (1.1) To incur expenditure within approved capital and revenue budgets.					
	 Contractual and financial matters - (6.3) To sign on the council's 					
	behalf any contract for works, good or services.					
	Para 2.6 of procurement procedure rules Table 2 for contracts in					
	excess of £75,000 but not more than FTS Threshold –					
	Acceptance of Quotation / Tender Head of Service in					
	consultation with relevant Cabinet Member.					
Risks	Risk One - Contractor ceases to trade during contract					
	Mitigation – Payments only made when work complete and credit					
	check on successful company.					
	Risk Two – Adverse weather conditions					
	Mitigation – Revise delivery plan within window of work period (when					
	Riverside is closed) if possible.					
	Risk Three – River Thames levels within bank.					
	Mitigation - Revise delivery plan within window of work period (when					
	Riverside is closed) if possible.					

Reasons for decision

Following the SMT approval of the GW2 on 25 May 2022, a procurement process has been undertaken to identify a suitable supplier to install an accessible mooring and associated pathways, ramps, road and refurbished hut at Riverside Park, Wallingford.

In conjunction with the Procurement officer and Legal, it was determined that the most appropriate contract was a JCT contract.

Tender and Evaluation

The contract procurement was an open tender on the south east portal and one compliant tender was received, the tender was evaluated by the following team:

David Bell – Senior Engineer Ruth Cross – Project Manager

The quality of the return was excellent, following individual evaluations the scores where amalgamated, this table shows the summary of the evaluation results.

Rank	Contractor	Price (%)	Qualit y (%)	Combined total (%)
1	А	£209,534.50 (60%)	32.5	92.5

The tender opportunity had 18 views in total, four decided to opt out of submitting a proposal and 13 after looking at the opportunity did not take it any further.

Officers consider the lack of tenders is because the construction of the accessible mooring requires specialist knowledge on a river construction. Therefore, the number of tenderers was always anticipated to be limited.

Officers considered that this tender represents good value for money taking into account previous tenders for riverbank repairs in Abingdon.

The recommendation is to award the contract to Greenford Limited, Unit 1, London Road, Wheatley, Oxford OX33 1JH.

Alternative options rejected

Re-open tender to attract others to tender.

Officers are not confident that other specialists will be as competitive as Greenford as they are a local company (and therefore less travel) and very experienced in similar works along this part of the River Thames.

Specialists' contractors willing to take on this relatively medium sized project are limited.

	A new evaluation would take at least eight to twelve weeks thereby missing the available timeslot to programme the work in whilst the Riverside area is closed, by which time prices would have increased.					
Legal implications	Legal officers have provided a draft contract (as part of tender) which will require finalising.					
Financial implications	£210,500 in budget A354 (£148,500 + £62,000) all agreed to be CIL funded.					
Climate implications	There are limited climate implications other than solar panels included in the tender for the roof of the small hut to generate some power for use in the hut.					
Equalities implications	The Technical Services team have worked in conjunction with the access officer to ensure that ramps and pathways meet the required standard.					
Risk implications	Officers to consider any risk/ insurance implications and to advise insurance company of new facility.					
Health and Safety implications	The accessible moorings will require a risk assessment to ensure safety checks and maintenance checks are carried out at suitable intervals.					
Other implications	None	None				
Background papers considered	GW2 approved on 25 May 2022					
Declarations/ conflict of interest?	None					
Consultees		Name	Outcome	Date		
	Legal legal@southand vale.gov.uk	Vivien Williams	Head of Legal and Democratic & Monitoring Officer (Interim)	03.01.24		
	Finance Finance@south andvale.gov.uk	Damon Cotterill	Confirmation of budget as detailed.	13.12.23		
	Climate and biodiversity climateaction@s outhandvale.gov .uk	Kim Hall	No comment	21.12.23		
	Equality and diversity equalities@sout handvale.gov.uk	Lynne Mitchell	No comments	19.12.23		
	Procurement Procurement@s outhandvale.gov	Angela Cox	Agreed	02.01.24		

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	Risk and insurance risk@southandv ale.gov.uk	Yvonne Cutler- Greaves	My comments included – Comments noted, Engineers will ensure RAMS will be completed and work programmed accordingly to river levels.	03.01.24
	Property Assets Strategic property StrategicPropert yTeam@southa ndvale.gov.uk	Mark Foster Karen Lister	Supportive Supportive. Property will need to understand timeframes for completion of the works to allow licences to be put in place with users of the moorings and facilities.	15.12.23 19.12.23
	Strategic Property	Chris Mobbs	Agreed.	04.01.24
	Leisure	Jan Smith	No comments.	19.12.23
	Parks Team Leader	Richard Ballard	No comments.	05.01.24
	Carpark Manager	Adrian Lear	Fully support the recommendation.	15.12.23
	Communication s communications @southandvale. gov.uk	Andrea Busiko	No comments.	19.12.23
	In consultation with Relevant Cabinet member	Cllr Sue Cooper	Looks forward to this work being done as soon as river conditions allow.	21.01.2024
	Ward councillors	Benson and Crowmarsh – Cllr Andrea Powell Wallingford – Cllr James Barlow and Cllr Katharine Keats-Rohan	Happy with this proposal and has no concern.	26.01.2024
Decision maker's signature To confirm the decision as set out in this notice.	Signature: Date: 01.02.2024			