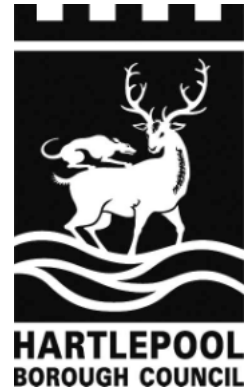


CONTRACT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AGENDA



Tuesday 10 April 2012

at 2.00pm

in Committee Room B

MEMBERS: CONTRACT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Councillors Aiken, Ingham, Lawton, Richardson, Rogan, Shields, Sutheran,
P Thompson and Wells.

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**
- 3. MINUTES**
 - 3.1 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2012 (*to follow*)
- 4. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**
 - 4.1 Emergency Works to Steetley Pier – *Assistant Director, Transport and Engineering*
- 5. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS ARE URGENT**
- 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) ORDER 2006**

EXEMPT ITEMS

Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs referred to below of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

7. TENDERS TO BE OPENED

- 7.1 The Provision of Activities to 5-19 year olds in Hartlepool (Ref: 603) (para 3) -
Strategic Procurement Manager

8. ITEMS REQUIRING DECISION

No Items

9. ANY OTHER CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS ARE URGENT

CONTRACT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

26 March 2012

The meeting commenced at 2.00 p.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

PRESENT: Councillor Paul Thompson (In the Chair);
Councillors Trisha Lawton, Linda Shields, Lilian Sutheran and Ray Wells

OFFICERS: Ursula Larkin, Procurement Manager
Sally Scott, Procurement Officer
Kate Watchorn, Commercial Solicitor
Vicky Bosley, Democratic Services Officer

106. Apologies for Absence

None

107. Declarations of Interest

None

108. Minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2012

Confirmed

109. Local Government (Access to Information)

The Chairman ruled that the following items of business should be considered by the Committee as a matter of urgency in accordance with the provisions of Section 100(B) (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 in order that the matter could be dealt with without delay.

Minute 110 – Appointment of Contractor for Town Wall Coastal Protection Works (Ref 627) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) – Para 3.

110. Appointment of Contractor for Town Wall Coastal Protection Works (Ref 627)

(Procurement Category Manager)

This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) – Para 3.

Four tenders had been received in respect of this contract, which were opened in the presence of the Committee. Details are contained in the exempt section of the minutes.

Decision

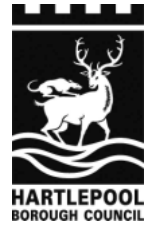
That the opening of the tenders be noted.

The meeting concluded at 2.20 pm

CHAIR

CONTRACT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

10th April 2012



Report of: Assistant Director (Transportation and Engineering)

Subject: EMERGENCY WORKS TO STEETLEY PIER

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of action taken by Council Officers to appoint a Contractor and carry out emergency works to make safe a section of Steetley Pier.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 During a routine inspection of the coastal strip by the Coast Protection Team, the inspector discovered a potentially dangerous situation with a large diameter steel pipe hanging off Steetley Pier and the adjacent timber pipe bridge failing and leaving exposed significant hazards. The inspector immediately reported the situation, and the Engineering Consultancy Manager decided that in the interests of Health and Safety a contractor should be engaged quickly to carry out necessary works to ensure public safety.
- 2.2 At that time contractor Tangent Construction from Hartlepool were engaged in carrying out Coast Protection works for Hartlepool Council on the North Pier. Tangent indicated that if requested they could divert resources to deal with the emergency works immediately.
- 2.3 An estimate of the cost of the works was carried out and it was believed that the cost would be of the order of £11k. Contract Procedure rules require that works valued at £11k must be procured in accordance with the quotations procedure with at least 3 quotations being obtained. The Engineering Consultancy Manager considered that the delay in following the normal procurement procedure would not be appropriate given the urgency and particularly in view of the upcoming school holiday period. In accordance with Standing Orders consent was obtained from the Assistant Director (Transport and Engineering), and the Chief Solicitor, to waive the Quotations

Procedure requirement on the grounds of urgency and appoint Tangent Construction to carry out the works immediately.

- 2.4 Tangent construction confirmed a price of £10k and were commissioned to carry out the works, which were completed on 11th February 2012.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 No decision required. The report is for information only.

4. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 4.1 There are no background papers to this report.

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