

MINUTES OF MEETING Cabinet Member Signing HELD ON Monday, 15th February, 2021, 9.30am

PRESENT:

Councillors: Joseph Ejiofor

ALSO ATTENDING: Charlotte Pomery & Ayshe Simsek

23. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

24. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

25. VARIATION TO A WORK CONTRACTS FOR RENOVATION AND REPURPOSING OF 20A & 20B WALTHEOF GARDENS, TOTTENHAM N17 1DX WITH SOL SERVICES LTD UNDER CSO 16.02.

The Leader of the Council considered the report which put forward a decision to vary the contract for renovation and repurposing of 20A & 20B Waltheof Gardens, Tottenham N17 1DX with Sol Services Ltd as allowed under contract standing order 16.02. the Council decided to develop the Waltheof Gardens site as a centre of excellence for adults with autism. One building would be used as a Day Opportunities Service for adults with learning disabilities and autism and the other building as an Autism Hub for adults with autism but without a learning disability. The reasons for the additional costs were set out in the report and the works needed completion to enable the centre to open as soon as possible for use by young Adults with Autism.

The contract variation would be for a maximum cost of £118,160.00 which will cover unforeseen variations to the contracted works at 20A & 20B Waltheof Gardens, Tottenham N17 1DX.

The overall site would be named the Chad Gordon Autism Campus. It was noted that the campus would be made up of two services. The Haringey Opportunities Project for adults with learning disabilities and autism and #Actually Haringey an autism hub for adults with autism without a learning disability.

RESOLVED

To approve the variation of the contract for renovation and repurposing of 20A & 20B Waltheof Gardens, Tottenham N17 1DX with Sol Services Ltd as allowed under contract standing order 10.02.1 (b) so that the contractor is able to complete the additional works required at 20A & 20B Waltheof Gardens, Tottenham N17 1DX.

The maximum cost of the variation is £118,160 and the maximum value of the contract including the variation will be £612,160.

Reasons for decision

Additional funds are required to cover the additional works and repairs to the buildings’ fabric and services. Without the funding the scope of the works will need to be reduced. At this late stage in construction this is likely to cause additional delays while alternative finishes and fittings are selected and will reduce the intended scope of the construction works which could affect the service provision.

The additional works identified fall into two distinct categories. They are either stipulations of current Building Regulations or Health & Safety legislation or bespoke requirements consistently required by the Service needed to operate the new facilities and therefore cannot be omitted from the final project scope.

The requested sum of £118,600.00 is a ‘worst case’ scenario calculated by the Quantity Surveyor (Moulton Taggart); a £25k contingency for potential unforeseen works has been included for in this financial request.

Alternative options considered

The option not to proceed was rejected as the Council needs to ensure that the buildings are compliant, safe, and fit for purpose.

The option to go out to the market was also rejected due to the delay that this would bring to completing the construction work.

CHAIR:

Signed by Chair

Date