

MINUTES OF THE CABINET PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE
MONDAY, 21 JUNE 2010

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Councillors *Goldberg (Chair), *Bevan,* Kober and *Reith

*Present

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
PROC01.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Agenda Item 2) Councillor Bevan in relation to agenda item 6 – Broadwater Farm Integrated Learning Campus.	HLDMS
PROC02.	WOOD GREEN CEMETERY BURIAL PROVISION (Report of the Director of Adult, Culture and Community Services - Agenda Item 4) The Appendix to the interleaved report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person. We noted that tenders for this work had been invited on the basis of six Options and that Option A (including 2 vaults deep burial chambers and traditional burials with a contract period of 12 weeks) was considered to offer the best overall combination. Bids had been returned by five contractors on the Construction Procurement Group's Major Work Construction framework agreement list following which had been the subject of an evaluation based on 60% quality and 40% price. In response to questions raised we were informed that charges for the sale of new burial plots had been set at a level which over a 2-4 year period would yield sufficient income to pay back the borrowed capital and borrowing costs as well as make a contribution to the budget income in Bereavement Services. With regard to available burial space there was little available in Wood Green Cemetery and the Council's other cemeteries the proposals now before the Committee were intended as a short term measure to provide additional capacity by the end of August. A feasibility study carried out at Enfield Crematorium Cemetery indicated that the longer term issues in relation to capacity for new burials highlighted in a recent Scrutiny Review could be addressed using space there. We also noted that the cost of the new burial spaces was contained in the 2009/10 capital programme. However, because the scheme had slipped it was now the subject of a budget carry forward request which would be considered by the Cabinet on 13 July as part of a review of the capital programme. The project was planned to be funded from Un-	

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	Supported (Prudential) Borrowing and could only be approved subject to submission by the Service of a business case which demonstrated that borrowing costs were affordable and able to be met from an income stream that the project generated. RESOLVED That, subject to the Cabinet agreeing to the capital budget carry forward request, approval be granted to the award of the contract to extend burial space at Wood Green Cemetery to T&B Contractors Ltd. on the terms and conditions set out in the Appendix to the interleaved report in accordance with Contract Standing Order 11.03.	DACCS
PROC03.	EXTENSION OF CURRENT INTEGRATED HOUSING SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT FOR 18 MONTHS (Report of the Director of the Children and Young People's Service - Agenda Item 5) The Appendix to the interleaved report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person. We noted that the existing Semi Independent contract was due to expire on 30 June 2010. The contract having originally been let for three years and extended for a further two years approval of our Committee was required to extend the contract further. We also noted that the needs of the service have changed following the recent 'Southwark Ruling' which had resulted in higher volumes of young people requiring semi independent accommodation. Concern having been expressed about spot purchases being made outside the contract we were informed that the Placements Service was aware that spot purchases outside of the contract did not provide value for money for the Council and would seek to ensure that all teams making referrals contacted providers on the framework in the first instance. The Service would also be working with the existing providers and encouraging them to make more provision available. We noted that there were 101 After-care 18+ clients residing in semi independent provisions and we asked to be supplied with the number who were awaiting allocation of permanent Council accommodation. Disquiet was voiced that greater efforts had not been made to ensure that value for money was achieved and that market testing of the current arrangements had not been market tested for 5 years. To this end we asked that officers explore whether, through the contract extension variation, a discounted rate could be negotiated with the existing providers to reflect a further period of 18 months as the Council's preferred supplier for these services. We also asked that officers explore the feasibility of undertaking a joint tender process with neighbouring boroughs to allow the aggregation of demand and the obtaining of the best market rate.	DCYPS

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	RESOLVED That in accordance with Contract Standing Order 13.02 approval be granted to the extension of the existing Semi Independent contract with the providers below on the existing framework for a period of 18 months commencing on 1 July 2010 to allow for a new tender for semi independent provisions to be agreed - • Christopher House, TA Limelight Properties • Allison Lodge (formerly MG Supported Housing) • Atlas Properties • Phoenix Community Care • Andrew Stevens • Atlantic Lodge	DCYPS
PROC04.	BROADWATER FARM INCLUSIVE LEARNING CAMPUS (Report of the Director of the Children and Young People's Service - Agenda Item 6) Councillor Bevan declared a personal interest in this item by virtue of being Chair of the London Housing Consortium. The Appendix to the interleaved report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person. We noted that with regard to the Chief Financial Officer's comments in relation to the capital implications of the scheme additional financial information had come to light since the production of the report. The Cabinet would now be reviewing the Council's capital programme including the Children and Young People Service's element on 13 July and that this should be reflected in the Committee's decision. In response to a question about the provision of a sprinkler system we were informed that this was necessary to meet the insurance requirements. We were also informed that part of the site not required for the Campus would be available for other purposes and it was confirmed that a review of the London Housing Consortium Network framework arrangements had been carried out and goods and services where applicable had been applied. RESOLVED That subject to the Cabinet agreeing to the revised capital budget and funding sources for the project approval be granted to the award of the building contract of the Broadwater Farm Inclusive Learning Campus to Mullalley & Co. Ltd. on the terms and conditions set out in the Appendix to the interleaved report in accordance with Contract Standing Order 11.03.	DCYPS

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The meeting ended at 20.05 hours.

JOE GOLDBERG
Chair