

REPORT TEMPLATE

Agenda item:

[No.]

Procurement Committee

On 25th March 2008

Report Title: North Tottenham Decent Homes Works Phase NT1.

Forward Plan reference number (if applicable):

Report of: Niall Bolger, Director of Urban Environment

Wards(s) affected: White Hart Lane Report for: Key Decision

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1. Purpose

1.1 To inform Members that the Decent Homes Programme for The Roundway and Waltheof Gardens N17. will commence on 31st March 2008.

2. Introduction by Cabinet Member (if necessary)

2.1 In accordance with our commitment to achieve Decent Homes standards to our homes.

properties within this phase have been surveyed and works will include, where required on an individual basis to achieve Decent Homes Standards, replacement Double Glazed windows, Multilock 'Secure by Design' Front entrance doors, Renewed fascia's, soffit's and rainwater goods, internal rewires, kitchen and bathroom refurbishment and roof renewal and repairs.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That members agree to award the contract for the above Project to the contractor named in Appendix A1.0, as allowed under Contract Standing Order (CSO) 11.03.
- 3.2 That the total Agreed Maximum Price excluding fees as detailed in Para 2.1 of Appendix A be noted.

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4. Chief Finance Officer Comments

- 4.1 It should noted that on 13th Feb 2007, this committee approved framework agreements to Decent Homes contractors and 4 compliance teams, to cover 4 areas. This report details the specific works needed to the 61 properties in the NT area, priced in accordance with the framework agreement.
- 4.2 Members will be aware that CLG has approved the funding for Decent Homes, totalling £198.5m phased over six years of which £23m has been approved for 2008-09. This scheme is included in the schedule for 2008-09, thus will be funded from this budget

5. Head of Legal Services Comments

- 5.1 This report is seeking Procurement Committee approval to award a call-off contract for Decent Homes works in the North Tottenham area to the contractor recommended in paragraph 3 of this report.
- 5.2 Cabinet Procurement committee had on 13th February 2007 granted approval to the award of four Decent Homes Constructor Partner Framework Agreements in respect of four areas within the Borough (Wood Green, Hornsey, North Tottenham and South Tottenham) to four respective contractors, of which the recommended contractor is one.
- 5.3 The Framework Agreements were tendered in the EU and selection of the Framework contractors was undertaken in compliance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2006, as confirmed by external legal advisers (Trowers and Hamlin) who provided legal advice on the procurement of the Framework Agreements.
- 5.4 The contractor recommended in Paragraph 3 of this report was awarded the Framework Agreement in respect of the North Tottenham area.
- 5.5 As the value of the contract is above the Council's Key Decision threshold of £500,000, the Council's Arms Length Management Organisation, Homes for Haringey, who undertook the procurement of the contract on behalf of the Council have confirmed that in accordance with CSO 11.04, details of this contract have been included on the Forward Plan (Version 71),

- 5.6 As the value of the proposed contract exceeds £250,000 the award must be agreed by the Procurement Committee in accordance with CSO 11.3.
- 5.7 The Head of Legal Services confirms that there are no legal reasons preventing Members from approving the recommendation as to the award, as set out in paragraph 3 of this report.

6. Head of Procurement Comments

- 6.1 The selection of the contractor for these works has been undertaken from the Decent Homes contractor framework.
- 6.2 The Client needs ensure that a risk register is in place for the works and are monitored on a regular basis
- 6.3 An agreed Maximum price has been agreed by the parties prior to start on site in accordance with the process allowed under the form of contract.
- 6.4 The Head of Procurement therefore state that the recommendations in this report offer best value for the Council.

7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 7.1 The background papers relating to this project are:
 - 'The Award of Framework Agreements to four Decent Homes Constructors Partners'.
 - Pre Qualification Questionnaires (PQQ) Responses from Constructors dated September 2006.
 - Short List Report dated October 2006
 - Invitation to Tender Document dated October 2006
 - Tender Reports dated February 2007

These can be obtained from Larry Ainsworth – Strategic Client Representative on 020 8489 1134.

7.2 This report contains exempt and non exempt information. Exempt information is

Is contained in Appendix A of this report and is **NOT FOR PUBLICATION.** The exempt information is under the following category (identified in the amended Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972):

8. Strategic Implications

8.1 The works within this phase form part of the overall Decent Homes Programme.

This phase is part of our commitment to commence decent homes works in April 2008.

9. Financial Implications

- 9.1 This scheme is estimated to cost the amount set out in paragraph 2.3 of Appendix A.
- 9.2 Provision for this exists within the Decent Homes Budget for 2008/2009.

10. Legal Implications

10.1 See section 5 above

11. Equalities Implications

- 11.1 The works will ensure that all tenants and leaseholders living throughout the borough will reside in a decent home by the end of this programme of work.
- 11.2 This improvement will benefit all occupants of the properties, which include disabled, elderly and people from the minority ethnic communities.

12. Consultation

12.1 Homes for Haringey have carried out detailed consultation on this project by a resident meeting and detailed newsletters.

13. Background

- 13.1 The requirement for all local authority homes to meet the Decent Homes Standard was set out by The Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) now known as Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) in February 2003. The objective of the Decent Homes Standard is that every tenanted home should be decent in accordance with the guidelines of the ODPM (now DCLG) by December 2010.
- 13.2 The Decent Homes Programme is a long term programme of major investment to bring all tenanted homes up to a decent standard. Environmental improvements, including sustainability issues, may represent up to 5% of the overall programme.
- 13.3 Managing and delivering the Decent Homes programme to cost, time and to the expectation of the tenants and residents of Haringey is paramount and as such requires the appointment of Constructors with a proven track record of delivering a similar programme for other Local Authorities/ALMOs.

13.4 The procurement and delivery of the Decent Homes Constructors has been managed by Homes for Haringey under the terms of its management agreement with the Council.

Number of dwellings in project

61

Total estimated construction cost (excluding fees) para 2.1Appendix A
Anticipated Contract start on site 31st March 2008
Anticipated Contract completion 4th July 2008
Contract duration 14 weeks
Contractor Lovell Partnership Ltd

14. Agreed Maximum Price

- 14.1 The Agreed maximum price is based on the schedule of rates contained within the Contractors tender returned on 30th November 2006.
- 14.2 The Agreed Maximum Price is the procedure for determining the cost of a project under the PPC2000 (Project Partnering Contract) form of contract. The PPC2000 form of contract was formed from the 'Egan Report' and was designed to allow the early appointment of constructors and specialists.
- 14.3 It is designed to allow for a multi party approach by the client, constructor, consultants and specialists to provide a consistent approach to working within a partnering ethos.
- 14.4 PPC2000 provides the opportunity to progress joint selection of supply chains and supply chain partnering to encompass value engineering and allows for 'open book' accountability.

15.0 Proposed Work

15.1 The works will include, where required on an individual basis to achieve Decent Homes Standards, replacement Double Glazed windows, Multilock 'Secure by Design' Front entrance doors, Renewed fascia's, soffit's and rainwater goods, internal rewires, kitchen and bathroom refurbishment and roof renewal and repairs.

Type of Dwellings	No. of Units
2/3 bedroom properties	61

15.2 The properties in this project are located at:

The Roundway and Waltheof Gardens N17.

16.0 Leasehold Information

16.1 There are no leaseholders in this phase of works.

17.0 Project Management

- 17.1 Homes for Haringey, managing this contract on behalf of the Council have appointed a project manager to manage the project team. A risk assessment has been carried out and it will be reviewed at the monthly progress meeting.
- 17.2 The key members of the project team are as follows:

Larry Ainsworth Strategic Client Representative – Homes for

Haringey

David Barrett Compliance Team - John Rowan and

Partners

18.0 Health and Safety Implications

- 18.1 All contractors invited to tender have been assessed as competent under the Construction Health and Safety Assessment Scheme (CHAS), which is an industry-wide body. They also comply with the requirements of the Council's Health and Safety policy.
- 18.2 The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 apply to this project and the contractor's Construction Phase Health and Safety Plan will be checked and approved by the CDM Co-ordinator before works start on site.

19. Conclusion

18.1 That the procurement committee accept the recommendations outlined in section 3 above.

20 .Use of Appendices/Tables/Photographs

Appendix A Exempt information