

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, 17 JULY 2008**

Councillors *Adje (Chair), *Bevan, *Meehan, and Santry.

*Present

| MINUTE NO. | SUBJECT/DECISION | ACTION BY |
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| PROC15. | <p>BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE (BSF): AWARD OF A PRE-CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR HORNSEY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS (Report of the Director of the Children and Young People's Service - Agenda Item 4)</p> <p>Details of the contracts which were set out in the Appendix to the interleaved report were the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as they contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p> <p>We noted that pursuant to Minute PROC.2 Councillor Bevan had been given a briefing on Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme.</p> <p>It having been confirmed that the Constructor Partner to whom it was recommended that the pre-construction contract be awarded had already been awarded other BSF programme contracts as well as Decent Homes procurement programme contracts, concern was expressed about the danger of Constructor Partners exceeding their capacity. We were informed that rules restricting contract awards to a given percentage of individual contractor's turnover were applied and that the Head of Procurement monitored these rules. We asked that future reports which recommended BSF contract awards include a list of all previous awards made as part of this programme.</p> <p>We also asked to be supplied with a briefing note of all contract awards made to date as part of both the BSF and Decent Homes procurement programmes.</p> <p>Clarification was sought of the funding issue in relation to the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) position regarding the financing of the Council's Building Schools for the Future (BSF) cash flow. We noted that the DCSF's position remained that no future grant payments would be made until the BSF Final Business Case (FBC) was approved. However, the BSF team were working closely with Partnerships for Schools (PFS) to resolve any potential snags in the FBC before it was submitted to the DCSF. The anticipated date of submission was late July but if PFS posed further questions this might slip to early August. Informal indications were that it would then take about 3 weeks for formal DCSF approval to be obtained.</p> | <p>DCYPS</p> <p>HPr</p> |

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| | <p>We asked that the BSF Programme Director provide Members of our Committee and the Council's Chief Executive with a briefing note on the funding position as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That, in accordance with Contract Standing Order 11.01, approval be granted to the award of the pre-construction agreement for Hornsey Schools for Girls to Apollo London Ltd for a pre construction fee of £164,460.</p> | DCYPS DCYPS |
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Chair