

**TO: EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & LEARNING
21 JULY 2020**

**AWARD OF THE WORKS CONTRACT FOR THE REFURBISHMENT & REMODELLING
OF BRACCAN WALK DRAMA CLUB TO A YOUTH CENTRE**

Executive Director : People

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek approval to award the works contract to Tenderer A identified in the attached Confidential Annexe and Atkins Confidential Tender Evaluation Report (Annexes A & B Respectively).

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That the Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning approves the contract award to Tenderer A in accordance with Annexes A and B.**

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 In accordance with the recommendation set out in the Procurement Plan dated the 23 July 2019 and approved by the Executive that the decision to award the works contract for Braccan Walk Youth Centre is delegated to the Executive Director : People and the Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning for approval.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 None.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 Creation of a town centre youth facility has been a long-standing objective for the Council. A town centre youth facility will provide a place for young people to go, where they can socialise and receive advice and guidance from youth workers and other professionals whose remit is to provide early help to young people. This is particularly important for the most vulnerable young people in the Borough who may be at a greater risk of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), gang initiation and Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE), including 'County Lines' when gangs and organised crime networks exploit children to sell drugs.
- 5.2 Following the tender process being carried out in accordance with the approved procurement plan, Tenderer A has been selected being both best value to complete the works and their corresponding technical submission was scored as best quality which provides both cost and quality assurances for the works to be awarded.

Equalities Impact Assessment

- 5.3 The equality impact issues were taken into account as part of the tender process and an EIA screening was completed as part of the approved Procurement Plan, with no full impact required.

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

- 6.1 The Borough Solicitor is satisfied that the tender process has been undertaken in accordance with constitutional and Statutory requirements.

Director : Finance

- 6.2 No additional comments.

7 STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 7.1 None.

8 CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

- 8.1 The Borough Solicitor and the Director : Finance were consulted during the course of this procurement.

Method of Consultation

- 8.2 At project initiation, the Procurement Plan was reviewed by the Service Efficiency Steering Group and approved by the Executive on the 23 July 2019.

Background Papers

Confidential Annex and Atkins Tender Report

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