

CABINET MEETING – 18 JULY 2012
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Traffic Management Services 2012-2016.

Author(s):

Executive Director City Services

Purpose of Report:

To seek approval to the principle of letting a Traffic Management Services Contract.

Description of Decision:

Approved in principle the letting of a Traffic Management Services Contract for the period 2012-2016.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? *Yes

If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

In accordance with the Constitution, Cabinet approval is required where the procurement value is equal to or exceeds £250,000.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

No alternative options are offered for consideration.

Impacts analysed;

Equality Privacy Sustainability Crime and Disorder

Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? Yes

Is it included in the Forward Plan? Yes

Scrutiny Committee

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SERVICES CONTRACT 2012-2016

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES

1.0 Purpose of the report

- 1.1 This report seeks approval to the principle of letting a Traffic Management Services Contract.

2.0 Description of Decision

- 2.1 It is recommended that Cabinet approves the principle of letting a Traffic Management Services contract for the period 2012-2016.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 In October 2010 the Executive Director City Services accepted a tender from Roadsafe Ltd to undertake road traffic management on the city's high speed roads. The contract duration was for one year with an option of a one year extension. The contract is currently in the extension period which expires in November 2012.
- 3.2 Whilst the existing contract comprehensively addresses temporary traffic management arrangements on high speed roads, it does not cover all of the council's requirements, particularly in relation to traffic management for council events, road markings, highway schemes and minor repairs to roads and footpaths.
- 3.3 Currently the council's annual expenditure on traffic management services is in the region of £250,000.
- 3.4 The impending expiry of the existing contract now requires for a new tender process to be initiated.

4.0 Selection and Tendering Process

- 4.1 Following a scoping exercise by the council's procurement team it has been determined that a framework contract that aggregates all the council's requirements will be of most benefit to the council. It is also considered that this service falls within the European Union procurement regulations.

- 4.2 An advertisement is to be published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) and the Contract Journal seeking expressions of interest from companies specialising in Traffic Management Services with a view to tendering and appointing a contractor for a period of 4 years. It is considered that this duration of contact should prove more attractive to

firms and result in keener pricing. The total value for the four year commission is approximately £1m.

- 4.3 Through the council's Scheme of Delegation the Executive Director City Services will accept the most economically advantageous tender returned to the council.

5.0 Scope of Works

- 5.1 It is proposed that the following activities are incorporated in to the new contract:

- Temporary traffic management at road works on high speed roads.
- Temporary traffic arrangements for road markings, highway schemes, minor repairs to roads and footpaths.
- Temporary traffic management for council events such as the Airshow, Houghton Feast and the Remembrance Sunday Parade.

6.0 Reason for Decision

- 6.1 In accordance with the Constitution, Cabinet approval is required where the procurement value is equal to or exceeds £250,000.

7.0 Consultations

- 7.1 The Executive Director of Commercial & Corporate Services views have been incorporated in this report.

8.0 Alternative Options

- 8.1 No alternative options are offered for consideration.

9.0 Background Papers

- 9.1 Corporate Procurement Sub-Category Scoping Report-September 2011.