

Cheltenham Borough Council

Cabinet Member Decision

Date of Decision: 24 October 2024

Accountable member:

Councillor Izaac Tailford, Cabinet Member – Waste, Recycling and Public Realm

Accountable officer:

Karen Watson, Environmental Partnerships Manager

Ward(s) affected:

ALL

Key Decision: No – this is not considered to be a key decision and is funded from within existing capital budget approved by Council as part of the budget setting process in line with part 3E, Article 13 of the Council's Constitution.

Exempt Decision: Yes - the tender acceptance form is attached to the cabinet member decision form and is exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph(s) 3 part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Decision:

To award a contract to Dennis Eagle Ltd for the supply of:

2 x Elite 6+ 6x2 Rear Steer 26 Ton Refuse Collection Vehicles c/w OL19N Body, CMS Telematics, Driver Behaviours and Camera, VWS on-board weighing, eco-pack, Coffee Pod Cage, Juice Tray, and Epic Speedian Advertising Frames on one side for the sum of £234,263.00 each plus VAT and 1st Reg Fee/12 Months RFL each @ £505.00 each and livery to doors @ £175 each.

Total for 2 vehicles - £469,886.00 plus VAT

Reasons for the decision:

On the vehicle capital replacement plan for the 2025-26 financial year, there are two 26-ton Refuse Collection Vehicles's to be replaced which are old and at the end of their useful life, lines 6 & 7.

As part of the procurement process, and as part of the Council's carbon neutrality plan, there is a requirement to establish if vehicles that are to be replaced are suitable to be replaced with alternative fuelled vehicles.

There are electric RCV's of this type available on the market to purchase, however these are significantly more expensive when costed against conventional ICE models, and the depot would also need significant investment in additional infrastructure to support the power requirement to re-charge such vehicles.

The vehicles that are being proposed to be purchased will have a Euro 6 Diesel Engines, which are the cleanest and greenest diesel engines, currently available in this market sector. The manufacturer of this vehicle also permits the use of HVO fuels, which is now being used by most of the current CBC fleet. In addition, these vehicles will be fitted with eco-driving telematics to enable drivers to be taught more efficient driving techniques to further reduce carbon emissions and raise mpg.

Ubico have carried out a procurement through the TPPL Framework.

Alternative options:

Officers have considered whether the service could continue to be delivered without these vehicles and concluded that it could not. These ICE vehicles will be fuelled by HVO not diesel to reduce carbon emissions.

Consultation and feedback:

Internal consultation has taken place with relevant officers. The Cabinet Member Waste, Recycling and Public Realm has been consulted. Officers and the cabinet member agree there is a need to procure these vehicles to continue to deliver statutory services and minimise revenue costs.

Background information:

The tender acceptance form is attached to the cabinet member decision form and is exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph(s) 3 Part 1 and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Finance Approval:

Funding is available as part of the asset replacement plan for 2024/2025 as approved by Council in February 2024 as part of the budget setting process.

Signed:

Date: 24 October 2024

Interests declared:

N/A

Signed:

Councillor Izaak Tailford

Date: 24 October 2024

Tender acceptance report

for procurements exceeding £100,000

(Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972)

Type of Contract:	Supplies <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>
Background Include reason for procurement, confirm budget available etc.	UN21677 – 2 x 26 Ton 6x2 RS OL19N Body RCV's. On the vehicle capital replacement plan for the 2025-26 financial year, there are two 26-ton RCV's to be replaced, lines 6 & 7. These vehicles are end of life and were pushed forward a year to enable the procurement of two Romaquip Kerbside Sort Vehicles to be procured. As part of the procurement process, and as part of the Council's carbon neutrality plan, it will need to be established if vehicles that are to be replaced are suitable to be replaced with alternative fuelled vehicles. There are electric RCV's of this type available on the market to purchase, however this are significantly more expensive when costed against conventional ICE models, and the depot would also need significant investment in additional infrastructure to support the power requirement to re-charge such vehicles. The vehicles that are being proposed to be purchased will have a Euro 6 Diesel Engines, which are the cleanest and greenest diesel engines, currently available in this market sector. The manufacturer of this vehicle also permits the use of HVO fuels, which is now being used by most of the current CBC fleet. In addition, these vehicles will be fitted with eco-driving telematics to enable drivers to be taught more efficient driving techniques to further reduce carbon emissions and raise mpg. Ubico have carried out a procurement through the TPPL Framework.
The opportunity was advertised using the In-tend procurement portal	No
Details of procurement process	
One compliant tender was received: This tender exercise was a direct award to Dennis Eagle Ltd.	

The following organisations submitted compliant bids for the following amounts:

Contractor / Supplier Name	Value £ (per vehicle)
Dennis Eagle	£234,768.00

The completed evaluation scorecard for the procurement is attached **Yes**

The scores for each bidder were:

Contractor / Supplier Name	Total Combined Score	Rank
Dennis Eagle	1st	100

Interviews/presentations were/were* not held (**delete as appropriate*)

Interviews/presentations held were/were* not part of the scoring method (**delete as appropriate*)

If not part of the scoring method explain purpose

Results of tendering process

The preferred bidder is Dennis Eagle Ltd.

If it is not the bidder with the highest score, please provide an explanation of the decision.

I confirm this is within the approved budget **Yes**

If no, has budget holder approval for increase in budget been obtained **Yes**

Cost Centre is CAP301

References have been obtained for the preferred bidder

No

The references were:

If references have not been obtained, please explain:

References are obtained as part of the acceptance on the TPPL Framework

What financial checks have been carried out for the preferred bidder?

None

What was the outcome?

If applicable, have any mitigation measures been put in place?

Credit checks are carried out by the framework as part of the acceptance process.

The preferred bidder has confirmed they will comply with the insurance cover requirements of this contract

No

If no, please provide an explanation.

Insurance is not required for this type of procurement

Recommendation

I recommend that:

Dennis Eagle Ltd. be awarded the contract for supplying 2 x Dennis Eagle Elite 6+ 6x2 Rear Steer 26 Ton RCV's c/w OL19N Body, CMS Telematics, Driver Behaviours and Camera, VWS on-board weighing, eco-pack, WEEE Cage, Juice Tray, and Speedian Media Advertising Frames, to be delivered ASAP @ £234,263.00 each plus VAT and 1st Reg Fee/12 Months RFL each @ £505.00 each.

Total for vehicles @ £ 469,536.00

I also recommend the additional cost of the Council/Ubico door logo's to be added to this order at an additional cost of £175.00 per vehicle = £350.00 total. (Supplier quotation included).

. Total Expenditure @ £469,886.00

Checklist of documents required for approval of tender acceptance report

Enclosed

Evaluation Scorecard (internal use only)

Yes

Other evidence/justification – Tender Submission, Specification

Yes

Signed: K. J. Attwood.....Date 20th September 2024.....

Authorised Officer (report writer)

Next steps for report writer

When the tender acceptance report has been signed;

- Pass to the Cabinet Member for your service to sign the Cabinet Member Decision Form
- Send a scanned copy of the signed form (including tender acceptance report) to Democratic Services Unit
- Send a scanned copy of the signed form (including tender acceptance report) to Procurement@publicagroup.uk who will then inform the bidders of the outcome of the procurement using the templates on the portal
- Work with Publica procurement to prepare the instructions to One Legal to finalise the contractor's appointment.