

Provision of counselling services within education establishments – Award of contracts approved.

8 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received to be appointed to the framework for the provision of counselling services within education establishments, advising that

- (1) the anticipated framework value for the provision of counselling services education services over the framework duration was £8m, with West Dunbartonshire Council also able to use the framework;
- (2) the framework, to be utilised by Education Services, had been split into 4 Lots and would run for a period of 4 years, effective from 1st April 2025; and
- (3) of the 34 suppliers who had accessed the tender, 12 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was recommended the contracts be awarded to the suppliers detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a framework for the provision of counselling services within education establishments to:-

- (a) Lot 1 – Secondary Schools Counselling
Lifelink SC171155;
- (b) Lot 2 - Primary Schools – One to One Counselling
Lifelink SC171155;
- (c) Lot 3 - Primary Schools – Play Therapy
With Kids SC343897; and
- (d) Lot 4 - Primary Schools – Art Therapy
Impact Arts (Projects) Ltd SC225422.