



Glasgow City Council

Contracts & Property Committee

Report by Director of Legal and Administration

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Item 12

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The Provision of Consultancy Design Services for Paisley Road West Bus Priority Proposals Riba Stage 1-2 (Work Package 2)

Tender Reference: GCC006533CPU

Purpose of Report:

To submit details of the tenders received for the provision of consultancy design services for Paisley Road West bus priority proposals Riba stage 1-2 (work package 2) and recommend acceptance of the most economically advantageous tender as detailed in this report.

Recommendations:

The Contracts and Property Committee is requested to approve the award of a contract for the provision of consultancy design services for Paisley Road West bus priority proposals Riba stage 1-2 (work package 1) to the consultancy listed below.

Aecom Limited
Companies House Number: 01846493

Ward No(s): 4,5,6,8,10

Citywide:

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No

	Public Transport Priority and Network Integration - 10%
	Surveys, Data and Technical Inputs - 10%
	Project and Programme Management – 15%
	Engagement and Stakeholder Management – 10%
	Fair Work First (including the Real Living Wage) 5%

- 2.3 The evaluation of award scoring and award value of the consultancy which has been recommended for award is shown in the table below:

Description	Supplier	Total Evaluation Score	Value	Rank
The provision of consultancy design services for Paisley Road West bus priority proposals Riba stage 1-2	Aecom Limited (Companies House Number: 01846493)	91.77%	£884,531	1

A summary of the unsuccessful tender evaluation results can be found at Appendix A.

3 Contract implementation and Supplier Management

- 3.1 This is an NEC4 contract therefore responsibility for monitoring day-to-day delivery of the contract will remain with the relevant NRS officer appointed to the role of Project Manager.
- 3.2 The agreed community benefit outcome commitments will be monitored via Benefits which is a web-based monitoring tool. We will also capture sustainable commitments within the CPU Sustainable Register.

4 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial: The contract award value is £884,531.

£400,000 has been secured for 2025/26. The release of the remaining £661,437 is subject to Transport Scotland approving a funding bid through the 2026/27 Scottish Budget.

A break clause will apply, allowing the work to pause if required until this second phase of funding is confirmed.

NRS has confirmed its acceptance of a one-off cost avoidance saving amounting to £176,906 based on the contract award value and the original £1,061,437 budget for the project.

Legal:

The report raises no new legal issues.

The Director of Legal and Administration will be responsible for concluding the contract.

Personnel:

No direct personnel implications.

Procurement:

A mini-competition process as per section 1.5 of this report.

Council Strategic Plan:

The contract supports the following Grand Challenges and Missions:

- Grand Challenge 1, Mission 3.
- Grand Challenge 2, Mission 2.
- Grand Challenge 3, Mission 1 & 2

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2021-25

Yes - the Sustainable Procurement Duty requires that before a contracting authority buys anything, it must think about how it can improve the social, environmental and economic wellbeing of the area in which it operates, with a particular focus on reducing inequality.

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

An EqIA was carried out for this contract and details any negative impacts identified and sets out how these will be mitigated. Please see link below:

https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/media/11924/EqIA-Glasgow-Transport-Strategy/pdf/EqIA_Glasgow_Transport_Strategy.pdf?m=1717587817307

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio economic disadvantage.

Fair Work First was included as part of the award criteria with a weighting of 5%.

The consultancy recommended for award, Aecom Limited, has confirmed the following policies within its tender submission:

- Payment of at least the Real Living Wage
- Provide appropriate channels for effective workers voice
- Investment in workforce development
- No inappropriate use of zero-hour contracts
- Action to tackle the gender pay gap and create a more diverse and inclusive workforce
- Offer flexible and family friendly working practices for all workers from day one of employment
- Oppose the use of fire and rehire practice

Community Benefit was included as part of the tender process. The consultancy recommended for award, Aecom Limited, has confirmed the following outcomes:

- 1 x New Employee - Full Time Job (non-Priority Group)
- 1 x New Entrant Graduate - Full Time (from non-Priority Group)
- 2 x Work Experience Placement – School
- 8 x Community Engagement - Non-Financial Support (min. of 5hrs)

The proposal supports outcome 1 of the councils Equality Outcomes 2021 to 2025.

Climate Impacts:
Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions?

Yes - action 51 is supported via this contract.

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?

This contract will support delivery of a comprehensive active travel network, incorporating the spaces for people measures (following consultation) and enabling 20-minute neighbourhoods through the Liveable Neighbourhoods Plan.

Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?

Yes, as above.

Privacy and Data Protection impacts:

No data protection impacts identified.

5 Recommendations

The Contracts and Property Committee is requested to approve the award of a contract for the provision of consultancy design services for Paisley Road West bus priority proposals Riba stage 1-2 (work package 2) to the consultancy listed below.

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Appendix 1 – Unsuccessful Bidders

Consultancy	Score
Arcadis Consulting U.K. Limited (Companies House No. 02212959)	84%