

Cabinet Member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards and Broadband – Cllr John Thomson

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APPROVAL FOR BUILDING CONTRACT AWARD BETWEEN WILTSHIRE COUNCIL AND RYDON CONSTRUCTION LIMITED, RELATING TO THE AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE VALE HEALTH AND WELLBEING CENTRE IN PEWSEY

## **Purpose of Report**

 To obtain approval for the award of a build contract between Wiltshire Council and Rydon Construction Limited for the construction of The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre in Pewsey.

### **Background**

- 2. As the cabinet member responsible for communities, campuses, area boards and broadband, my responsibility includes matters relating to the delivery of the health and wellbeing centres (formerly campuses) in Wiltshire on behalf of Wiltshire Council. The power to make a decision in respect of this matter is delegated to me pursuant to Wiltshire Council's Constitution.
- 3. On 23 October 2012, the cabinet approved the allocation of a total of £7.8 million for the development of a health and wellbeing centre in Pewsey. The breakdown of the allocation of this capital budget is attached (appendix 1). The report sets out the full background for the proposed centre (referred to as a campus). The new centre reflects feedback from the local community, following extensive consultation carried out by the Shadow Community Operations Board (SCOB), on behalf of the area board.
- 4. The total value of the project build exceeded the financial threshold set by the EU Public Procurement Regulations (currently £4.1m for works contracts) therefore Wiltshire Council was obliged to comply with the Regulations set by the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU).
- 5. Following receipt and evaluation of expressions of interest, six companies were invited to tender, based on experience, size and specialisms of those organisations. These were:
  - EW Beard
  - Bouygues (UK) Ltd
  - Interserve
  - Kier Construction and Wales
  - Midas Construction
  - Rydon Construction

6. Tender documents were issued to the tenderers on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The original tender period of eight weeks was extended to ten weeks following a request from one of the tendering contractors for additional time. One tender amendment and 76 tender clarifications were issued during this period.

Tenders were returned on 27th January 2017.

7. Three tenderers submitted compliant tenders.

One tenderer opted out of the process (due to other commitments)

Two failed to submit a tender but did not offer any reason.

The quality sections, of the compliant tenders, were redacted by the council's procurement team. These versions were then considered by evaluators, including two members of the former SCOB (on behalf of the area board). The quality scores were moderated by the evaluation panel which consisted of Aecom, Faithful & Gould, B3 Architects, Wiltshire Council and representatives of the SCOB.

8. Following the tender evaluation process described in the tender documents, the tender provided by Rydon Construction of £5,691,446 offered the best value to Wiltshire Council.

#### Consultation

- 9. The cabinet member for communities, campuses, area boards and broadband has regularly updated cabinet on The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre and has hosted and attended meetings to update and inform the local community. These meetings included local unitary and parish councillors, neighbouring school representatives and members of the SCOB, representing the local community on behalf of the area board.
- 10. The community has been involved and updated throughout the design process through regular area board updates.

# **Options Considered**

11. As the delivery of a health and wellbeing centre was within the approved budget and reflected community need, the decision is to proceed. The option not to proceed was therefore not considered.

# **Procurement Implications**

12. The procurement process has been undertaken by the Strategic Procurement Hub together with key council stakeholders, and in accordance with the council's Contract and Procurement Regulations, Part 10 of the council Constitution.

## **Legal Implications**

13. Part 2 Para 1.3 of the council constitution sets out the purpose of the constitution, to enable decisions to be made efficiently and effectively. In order to enable this decision to be taken efficiently and effectively the interpretation of 'cabinet' was taken, and Cllr Thomson can approve the award of the contract under the member delegated decision process. The cabinet decision taken in 2012 approved the

financial resources for this campus based on a capital business case, and therefore this decision to award the contract is within the scope of the original proposal.

# **Financial Implications**

14. The awarding of the contract for the delivery of The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre is within the approved council capital budget for the provision of health and wellbeing centres/campuses and community hubs. The budget is allocated over the budget years (as attached – appendix 1).

#### **Reason for Decision**

15. The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre is part of the council's campus and community hub programme and is intrinsic to its vision to create stronger and more resilient communities. It is fundamental to supporting inclusive and healthier communities and the provision of accessible services.

# **INTENTION TO MAKE DECISION**

Following consultation with officers I give notice that I intend to make the decision set out in the attached report. If you would like to make any representations to me on this issue please do so by 28 March 2017.

# The following supporting documents are attached:

Cabinet minutes – 23 October 2012 – Council & Democracy

#### The following documents informed the decision:

The Vale H&WC – Part 2 Cabinet Minutes – 23 October 2012 – Council & Democracy The Vale H&WC – Pewsey Evaluation Report V3 – Procurement TB - 24 February 2017

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