

Urgent Delegated Executive Decisions 1 June 2020

Agenda Item No. 1

Title	Variation of contract value - Pinners
	& Sons Ltd.
For further information about this	Steve Partner
report please contact	Head of Assets
Wards of the District directly affected	N/A
Is the report private and confidential	No
and not for publication by virtue of a	
paragraph of schedule 12A of the	
Local Government Act 1972, following	
the Local Government (Access to	
Information) (Variation) Order 2006?	
Date and meeting when issue was	-
last considered and relevant minute	
number	
Background Papers	Contracts Register and Contract
	Documentation

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	Yes
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	No
Equality Impact Assessment Undertaken	No (Not required)

Officer Approval	Date	Name
Chief Executive/Deputy Chief	21 May 2020	Chris Elliott
Executive	,	
Head of Service	21 May 2020	Steve Partner
CMT	•	-
Section 151 Officer		
Monitoring Officer		
Finance		
Portfolio Holder(s)	21 May 2020	Jan Matecki
Consultation & Community	Engagement	
N/A		
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Final Decision?		Yes
Suggested next steps (if no	t final decision	nlesse set out helow)

1. **Summary**

- 1.1 In accordance with the Warwick District Council code procurement practice, consent is sought to extend the contract value of the existing contract with Pinners and Sons Ltd.
- 1.2 The contract is to provide repairs and maintenance services to corporate and commercial premises owned by the council and also provides services in relation to works in preparation for the Commonwealth Games and in relation to other large corporate projects.
- 1.3 The contract commenced in 2013 and is due to end in 2023, at which point it will be re-tendered.

2. Recommendation

2.1 In accordance with the Warwick District Council, Code of Procurement Practice and Financial Regulations, an exemption is granted to vary the existing contract and that the total contract value is increased from £5 million to £7.5 million pounds, for the remaining life of the contract.

3. Reasons for the Recommendation

- 3.1 The contract was initially let in 2013 and was extended in 2015 in accordance with the contract. It currently has a contract Value of £5 million in total and is due to expire in 2023, at which point it will be re-tendered.
- 3.2 However, due to significant additional requirement for work in relation to the Commonwealth Games and other large corporate projects not anticipated when the contract was originally let, it is likely that this contract value will be insufficient to cover all of the work required.
- 3.3 Time constraints and issues around Covid-19 and the construction industry mean that it is unlikely that the Council could negotiate an early end to the contract and secure a new contract through a competitive tendering process, in time for works to be carried out in the required time period.
- 3.4 The Council has been satisfied with the quality and timeliness of work carried out by Pinners and Sons Ltd and it is believed that it is appropriate for the contract value to now be extended.
- 3.5 Warwick District Council Procurement section has been consulted and has certified that this proposal is commercially reasonable and that it would support the recommendation.

4. Policy Framework

4.1 Fit for the Future (FFF)

The Council's FFF Strategy is designed to deliver the Vision for the District of making it a Great Place to Live, Work and Visit. To that end amongst other things the FFF Strategy contains several Key projects. This report shows the way forward for implementing a significant part of one of the Council's Key projects particularly in relation to works for the Commonwealth Games and other large corporate projects.

The FFF Strategy has 3 strands – People, Services and Money and each has an external and internal element to it. The table below illustrates the impact of this proposal if any in relation to the Council's FFF Strategy.

FFF Strands			
People	Services	Money	
External			
Health, Homes, Communities	Green, Clean, Safe	Infrastructure, Enterprise, Employment	
Intended outcomes: Improved health for all Housing needs for all met Impressive cultural and sports activities Cohesive and active communities	Intended outcomes: Becoming a net-zero carbon organisation by 2025 Total carbon emissions within Warwick District are as close to zero as possible by 2030 Area has well looked after public spaces All communities have access to decent open space Improved air quality Low levels of crime and ASB	Intended outcomes: Dynamic and diverse local economy Vibrant town centres Improved performance/ productivity of local economy Increased employment and income levels	
Impacts of Proposal	•		
Is required for works related to Commonwealth Games	We will work with the Contractor to implement the Council's Climate Emergency Strategy	Is required to support and implement major corporate projects including infrastructure.	
Internal			
Effective Staff	Maintain or Improve Services	Firm Financial Footing over the Longer Term	
Intended outcomes: All staff are properly trained All staff have the appropriate tools All staff are engaged, empowered and supported The right people are in the right job with the right skills and right behaviours	Intended outcomes: Focusing on our customers' needs Continuously improve our processes Increase the digital provision of services	Intended outcomes: Better return/use of our assets Full Cost accounting Continued cost management Maximise income earning opportunities Seek best value for money	
Impacts of Proposal			
None	None	Certified as a commercially appropriate action.	

4.2 **Supporting Strategies**

The Council's approved Business Plan is the appropriate strategy linked to this report.

4.3 Changes to Existing Policies

 This report is in accordance with the Warwick District Council Code of Procurement Practice and Financial Regulations.

4.4 **Impact Assessments** – None required

5. **Budgetary Framework**

- 5.1 This contract is to deliver on existing budgets including those which are match funded with external bodies and therefore it would not have an adverse financial impact on the council.
- 5.2 This recommendation is to is provide increased capacity within the contract and any expenditure will need to be funded through the appropriate budget process.

6. Risks

Risks of not agreeing this contract variation would be that works in relation to the Commonwealth Games and other large projects would not be completed on time and in accordance with existing budgets.

This could lead to reputational damage for the council in not delivering on its agreed projects and objectives.

7. Alternative Option(s) considered

7.1 The option of negotiating a termination of the existing contract and procurement of a new contract was considered and it is the view that there is insufficient time to undertake a comprehensive procurement Exercise which would enable the council to deliver on commitments made.

8. Background

8.1 A copy of the document exemption form is attached as an appendix to this report.

Approval for Exemption to CoPP Form

Officers must complete the Exemption Form:

- To exclude VAT
- To confirm under which paragraph(s) of the CoPP the exemption is being sought
- To include the signature/agreement of the Head of Service
- Form to allow for comments of the Head of Service & the Senior Procurement Business Partner

INSTRUCTIONS

This form must be completed where the requirement to obtain competitive tenders or quotations is to be waived.

SECTION 1

In accordance with Warwick District Council Code of Procurement Practice and Financial Regulations, I request a waiver of the requirement to obtain competitive tenders or quotations in respect of the services, goods or works as listed in Sections 2 and 3.

SECTION 2: NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPPLIER

Pinner & Sons Ltd., Lock Lane, Millers Road, Warwick, CV34 5AG

SECTION 3: COSTS	
Total annual cost (ex	£500,000.00
VAT):£500,00	
Total contract commitment	£7,500,00.00
(ex VAT):	·

SECTION 4: SERVICE AREAS FOR WHICH GOODS / SERVICES ARE REQUIRED

Repairs and Maintenance to Corporate and Commercial building

SECTION 5 REASON FOR REQUEST TO WAIVE STANDING ORDERS (PLEASE PROVIDE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE)

Background to requirement

The current contract is nearing its original value and due to volumes of work we request to vary the contract value by 50% through to its termination at 10 years.

Contract commenced in 2013 for an initial period of 5 years. An option to extend for a further 5 years was then taken in 2015, taking the contract value up to £5million for its 10 year life.

The variance to the contract value is required to cover additional works not anticipated when the contract was let e.g. The Commonwealth Games, St Mary's land. It is felt that it would not be in the best interests of the Council to procure these works separately for the following reasons:

- The contract is performing well and we have a very good working relationship with the exiting supplier;
- The supplier is local to the district and therefore is invested in the success of the additional work;
- The depot location of the supplier is local to the district; therefore, their subcontractors and suppliers are also located close to the district. This enables the supplier and their supply chain to support the Council in reducing carbon emissions generated by the contract through transportation of people and goods.

Reason for Waiver

The current contract is nearing its original value, therefore due to volumes of additional work required for the Common Wealth Games and St Mary's land, a contraction variation for £2.5m is required. To procure a separate contract for this work would not be in the best interests of the Council.

Has a waiver been issued for this contract before: NO

Other:

SECTION 5 cont'd:

Work to be undertaken to avoid the need to request regulations are waived in the future:

The final 5 year extension option will not be taken, and the contract will be re-let

SECTION 6: COMMERCIAL REASONABLENESS

I hereby confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, this waiver request is commercially reasonable.

Procurement:	Rebecca Reading		
Signed:	Signature redacted	Date:	24/01/2020

This waiver can only be approved by Executive report or by the Head of Finance who has delegated authority to approve exemptions that are low risk or below £50,000. The Head of Finance will advise if Executive approval is required.				
I/We hereby approve this waiver.				
Approved by:	Executive February 2020			
Signed:		Date:		

SECTION 7: APPROVAL OF WAIVER

SECTION 8: APPROVED WAIVER TO BE RETURNED TO				
Name:	Andy Paul	Job Title:	Technical Manager	
Location:	Assets			