Form MO1



# **Officer Decision Record – Key Decision**

Key decisions taken by an officer are subject to the 5 day call in period from circulation to Members, and therefore the decision will be released for implementation following the call-in period and no call in being received

1. Cabinet date and copy resolution this key decision relates to

## FHSF contract award for the Cost Consultant, Project Manager and the Employer's Agent

On the 16th June 2021 Cabinet resolved (DN.15 Future High Street Fund):

1. That the commencement of a procurement exercise for the provision of a professional delivery team, be approved.

2. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources in consultation with the Leader of the Council to deal with all matters leading to and including the award of the contract for the provision of a professional delivery team.

3. That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to execute and complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined above.

2. Subject and details of the matter (to include reasons for the decision)

Approval to award the contract for the Cost Consultant, Project Manager and the Employer's Agent for the Future High Street Project, Freshney Place, Grimsby.

The whole life value of the contract is £403,757.58.

The contract duration is 45 months. The contract may be extended to allow for the completion of the project should delays occur.

A further competition was run under the NHS Shared Business Services Construction Consultancy Services 2 (SBS/17/NH/PZR/9256) Framework, Lot 12 Multidisciplinary team and Ancillary Services.

Following conclusion of the evaluation process, WT Partnership Limited has been identified as the most economically advantageous tenderer, and so approval is sought to award the contract for the Cost Consultant, Project Manager and the Employer's Agent for the Future High Street Project, Freshney Place, Grimsby to WT Partnership Limited.

#### 3. Decision being taken

That the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources in consultation with the Leader of the Council awards the contract for the Cost Consultant, Project Manager and the Employer's Agent for the Future High Street Project, Freshney Place, Grimsby to WT Partnership Limited for 45 months.

## 4. Is it an Urgent Decision? If yes, specify the reasons for urgency. <u>Urgent</u> <u>decisions will require sign off by the relevant scrutiny chair(s) as not subject</u> <u>to call in.</u>

No.

#### 5. Anticipated outcome(s)/benefits

The contract for the Cost Consultant, Project Manager and the Employer's Agent for the Future High Street Project, Freshney Place, Grimsby is awarded via a further competition run under the NHS Shared Business Services Construction Consultancy Services 2 (SBS/17/NH/PZR/9256) Framework, Lot 12 Multidisciplinary team and Ancillary Services, to WT Partnership Limited for 45 months.

6. Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer when making the decision (this should be similar to original cabinet decision)

Not awarding the contract for Cost Consultant, Project Manager and Employer's Agent is not a viable option as there is minimal experience and capacity within the Council to deliver a project of this nature. Failure to deliver this project would not achieve the Council's key strategic aims for the regeneration of the town centre, as described in the Local Plan and Grimsby Town Centre Masterplan (2020). WT Partnership Limited have been identified as the Most Economically Advantageous Tenderer and so there is no reason to not award.

**7. Background documents considered** (web links to be included and copies of documents provided for publishing)

Future High Street Fund Cabinet Report, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021 (DN.15)

8. Does the taking of the decision include consideration of Exempt information? If yes, specify the relevant paragraph of Schedule 12A and the reasons

N/A

9. Details of any conflict of interest declared by any Cabinet Member who was consulted by the officer which relates to the decision (in respect of any declared conflict of interest, please provide a note of dispensation granted by the Council's Chief Executive)

N/A

#### **10. Monitoring Officer Comments (Monitoring Officer or nominee)**

The above decision is consistent with the will and expectations of Cabinet.

#### 11. Section 151 Officer Comments (Deputy S151 Officer or nominee)

The costs of the service will be met from within the existing overall scheme budget for the Future High Street Fund.

## 12. Human Resource Comments (Head of People and Culture or nominee)

There are no direct HR implications

## 13. Risk Assessment (in accordance with the Report Writing Guide)

The £17.28m grant award provides a significant investment opportunity in the heart of the town and is an essential element of the Council's regeneration plans which will contribute to an enhanced experience for residents and visitors.

There are risks in relation to ensuring the scheme maintains momentum and all funding spend deadlines are met to enable successful delivery. The decision to appoint a Cost Consultant, Project Manager and Employer's Agent mitigates this risk.

If the delivery partner subsequently decides to lead on this project, the Council would require the professional delivery team appointed to be novated across to the delivery partner. If this was not considered a viable option for the delivery partner, there is a risk that this procurement may cease.

Support from stakeholders for the scheme is paramount to ensure the new development is successful and can benefit all concerned. Engagement has already taken place and a point of contact established for further consultation and engagement. A focus group is being formed to enable full ongoing engagement throughout the detailed design. A delivery model which allows for continuous trading is the preferred option, this will be fully worked up as the scheme is progressed.

#### 14. Has the Cabinet Tracker been updated with details of this decision?

Yes

#### 15. Decision Maker:

Name: Sharon Wroot

Title: Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources

Signed: REDACTED

Dated:04/03/202

16. Consultation carried out with the Leader of the Council:

Name: Councillor Phillip Jackson

Title: Leader of the Council

Signed: REDACTED

Dated: 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022