

Meeting of Assets and Procurement Committee Decision Statement

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Constitutional Matters

1. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were presented on behalf of Councillors Connor, Dew, Ferguson, Hunt and Meschini.

Councillor Howell declared a non-statutory disclosable interest as he lived very close to the former Primary School in Papworth Everard (item 4). Councillor Howell withdrew from the meeting for this item.

Councillor Murphy declared a non-statutory disclosable interest in relation to item 14 as she had a contract of employment with the University of Cambridge.

2. Petitions and Public Questions

None

Key Decisions

3. Electricity Procurement for 2024-28

It was resolved to:

a) agree to the preferred procurement route of using the Crown Commercial Services framework for electricity supplies for the Council's property and streetlighting portfolio, for the supply period from 1 October 2024 to 31 March 2028. (Option 2 as set out in the paper below.);

b) delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place and Sustainability, in consultation with the S151 officer and the Chair and Vice-chair of Assets and Procurement Committee, to enter into a contract with Crown Commercial Services and with the electricity supplier named in their framework, for that supply period, and to select a trading strategy from the available options within that contract.

4. Disposal of Former Primary School, Papworth Everard

It was resolved to:

agree to the disposal of the property to Wigwam Nurseries Limited.

5. Mechanical, Electrical and Buildings Maintenance Re-tender of Contract for Cambridgeshire County Offices, buildings and land assets

It was resolved to:

- a) authorise the re-tender of the Mechanical, Electrical & Building maintenance contract for the non-school buildings and land assets, which is due to expire on 31st October 2024;
- b) approve the commencement of the re-procurement of the Mechanical, Electrical and Building maintenance contract for an initial term of 3 years from 1 November 2024 to 31 October 2027 with the option to extend annually for a potential further 2 years in total which equates to a 3 + 1 + 1 year term; and
- c) delegate responsibility for evaluating and awarding the framework contract to the Executive Director of Finance and Resources and in accordance with Council procedures in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of Assets and Procurement Committee.

6. Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) school buildings

It was resolved to:

- a) note the completion of the surveys and the findings;
- b) commend the proactive cross council working within Property and Education teams to be in the position for CCC to report the outcome;
- c) note that 268 schools were either assessed or surveyed and no presence of RAAC was found.

Other Decisions

7. Update on Disposal of Former Mill Road Library

It was resolved to:

- note current progress on the Heads of Terms.

8. Land and Property Performance Report

It was resolved to:

- note the contents of the report and identify further reporting to be presented and considered to show the transformation, change and improvements at future meetings of this Committee.

9. Procurement Governance and Performance Report

It was resolved to note the contents of the report and identify further reporting to be presented and considered at future meetings of this Committee.

10. Procurement Legislation

It was resolved to note the report.

11. Assets and Procurement Committee Draft Training Plan

It was resolved to:

- a. note the report;
- b. consider both the format and content of the draft training plan attached at Appendix 1, noting any changes in that or timings.

12. Assets and Procurement Committee Agenda Plan

It was resolved to note the agenda plan.

13. Exclusion of Press and Public

It was resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the agenda contained exempt information under paragraphs 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, and it would not be in the public interest for this information to be disclosed, as it referred to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and information in respect of which a claim of legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.

14. Procurement of Consultants – Cambridge Biomedical Campus

It was resolved to:

note the position in relation to the procurement of consultants as identified in the report and to approve the procurement of consultants as indicated in section 2.5 and 2.6.

Statements in bold type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting

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