Ballymoney Borough Council

Health & Environmental Services Committee Meeting No 383 – 10th September 2012

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383.1 Council Interim Landfill Disposal Tender Contractor Appointed

BALLYMONEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of Health & Environmental Services Committee Meeting No 383, held in the McKinley Room, Riada House, Ballymoney on Monday 10th September 2012 at 6.30 p.m., acting with Council powers.

IN THE CHAIR: Alderman H Connolly

PRESENT: Aldermen

F Campbell C Cousley, MBE

B Kennedy

Councillors

J Atkinson W Blair
R Halliday T McKeown
C McLaughlin E Robinson

I Stevenson

APOLOGIES: Councillors:

A Cavlan R McAfee

P McGuigan

IN ATTENDANCE: Director of Borough Services

Head of Corporate & Development Services

383.1 COUNCIL INTERIM LANDFILL DISPOSAL TENDER

The Director reminded members that the Committee had been granted Council powers for this single issue meeting.

He advised that five tenders had been received and opened by the Chair and himself on Thursday 6th September and that the Evaluation Panel [comprising two Council officers and two officers from the North West Region Waste Management Group, together with an official from PDSU to moderate the process] had met later that afternoon to evaluate the tenders received.

Councillor Atkinson joined the meeting at this stage 6.40 p.m.

The Director circulated the report [attached] on the outcome of the evaluation process to members and then presented same. He also responded to member questions.

Following consideration of the report, it was proposed by Alderman Campbell seconded by Councillor Atkinson and **AGREED**:

that Council appoint Cookstown District Council for the interim landfill disposal of its residual waste.

This being all the business the meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.

Evaluation Report for Tender for Interim Landfill Capacity for Residual Waste Arising from Ballymoney Borough Council

OJEU 2012/S 136-227572

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Tenders were invited from service providers for Interim Landfill Capacity for Residual Waste Arising from Ballymoney Borough Council.

The aim of the tendering process was to identify a service provider to provide landfill disposal for Ballymoney Borough Council in the period from 1st October 2012 and until the North West Region Waste Management Group (NWRWMG) residual waste treatment and diversion capacity becomes available.

The contract period will be two years with an option to extend the contract for one further year at the absolute discretion of Council.

2.0 TENDERS

2.1 TENDER PROCESS

Tenders were sought using the EU Open Tender Procedure with advertisements placed in the Belfast Telegraph and in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU **2012/S 136-227572**) in July 2012.

Tender documents were made available to prospective tenderers from the date of advertisement with the deadline for receipt of tenders being 12.00 noon on Thursday 6th September 2012.

2.2 TENDERS RECEIVED

Five tenders were returned by the due date and time and these were from;

- 1. Alpha Resource Management
- 2. Aughrim Landfill Ltd
- 3. Coleraine Borough Council
- 4. Cookstown District Council
- 5. Biffa Waste Services

3.0 BASIS OF THE TENDER PRICES

Tenderers were requested to price for the landfill disposal of residual waste and also for contaminated material that may be included within the waste delivered by Ballymoney Borough Council.

The contaminated material was considered to include waste that would not be acceptable at a non hazardous landfill.

For standard landfill, tenderers had to provide a fixed gate fee price for the two year contract and a fixed gate fee price for the final year extension to be used in the event that Council decide to exercise that option.

Gate fees are exclusive of Landfill Tax which is charged at the prevailing rate as determined from time to time by HMRC.

Landfill Tax has been set by HMRC at £64 per tonne for the year 2012 / 2013, £72 per tonne for the year 2013 / 2014 and £80 per tonne for the year 2014 / 2015.

4.0 EVALUATION PROCESS

The tenders were first checked for completeness against the schedule of tender requirements and then assessed on the basis of landfill disposal cost for the two year contract and transportation costs as set out in the tender documentation.

The scores allocated to the relevant tenderers are summarised in Table 3.1 below. **Table 3.1 Tender Assessment Scores**

Tenderer	Evaluation Score
Cookstown District Council	100.0
Coleraine Borough Council	92.5
Biffa	72.8
Alpha Resource Management	53.8
Aughrim Landfill Ltd	38.4

From table 3.1 above the Cookstown District Council tender achieved the highest score. Further information on the evaluation is included in Appendix A.

5.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The tender process was undertaken for the provision of landfill capacity for Ballymoney Borough Council.

Tenders were received from five service providers.

The tenders were evaluated on the basis of the evaluation criteria set out in the tender documentation. This matrix assessed the tenders on the basis of the gate fees submitted and the estimated transportation costs to Ballymoney Borough Council.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council appoint Cookstown District Council for the interim landfill disposal of its residual waste.

Should Council making a decision to appoint, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (as amended) relating to standstill periods for the appointment of Contractors, all tendering contractors must be informed of Ballymoney Borough Council's intention to appoint the Cookstown District Council for the interim landfill capacity for residual waste.

For all public sector and utilities contracts covered by the schema of the EU Directives, a minimum ten (10) calendar day's mandatory standstill period is required between communicating the decision to all tenderers and formal contract award.

In accordance with the Regulations, it is suggested that the following information should be included in the notification of the contracting authority's intention to award –

- the award criteria;
- the score the tenderer obtained against those award criteria;
- the score the winning tenderer obtained;
- the name of the winning tenderer; and
- the relative characteristics and advantages of the winning bid.