

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS OUTLINED IN THE CONSTITUTION – Part 3 Section 16

DELEGATED OFFICER DECISION Martin Eden TAKEN BY: PORTFOLIO AREA: Environment

SUBJECT: Purchase of Four 7.5 Tonne Tippers

1. DECISION

To approve the award for the purchase of four 7.5 Tonne tippers from Walton Summit Truck Centre.

2. REASON FOR DECISION

A tendering exercise was undertaken for Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council's requirements and five companies submitted a bid. The bids were evaluated against the quality and price criteria detailed in the tender pack and Walton Summit Truck Centre achieved the highest overall marks.

3. BACKGROUND

The tippers are for the Council's Environment Department Street Cleansing Section and the Highways Section.

The current tippers on the fleet that are to be replaced with new ones range between 15 and 19 years old. They are becoming increasingly less reliable and no longer cost effective to maintain.

Approval was obtained for a tender exercise to be undertaken to replace the four vehicles. Tenders were invited from suppliers on The Procurement Partnership Limited (TPPL) framework agreement. Five on-time submissions were received electronically via the TPPL's tendering portal.

Officers from the Council's Environment Department and Highways Section evaluated the five submissions. The bids were evaluated on both pricing and quality.

Pricing was allocated 60% of the marks with the lowest priced submission receiving full marks and then the other bidders receiving a score based on the percentage difference between their price and the lowest price.

Quality was allocated 40% of the marks and bidders were scored based on their responses to their ability to meet the requirements of the vehicle specifications.

Walton Summit Truck Centre scored the highest total marks and therefore are recommended to be awarded the contract.

The Head of Service for Environment has confirmed that the cost of the vehicles is within budget for the Street Cleansing Service.

The Head of service for Highways has confirmed that the cost of the vehicles is within budget for the Highways Section.

The estimated total value of the contract is £201,000.

4. OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

 To hire in replacement vehicles: The four vehicles are quite bespoke and the hire companies would not have been able to meet the specifications required. It would also not have been economically advantageous to hire vehicles in.

5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

All Declarations of Interest of the officer with delegation and the Member who has been consulted, and note of any dispensation granted should be recorded below:

VERSION: 1

CONTACT OFFICER:	Neil Bolton
DATE:	08/03/2021
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:	N/A

Signed:	
Director: Martin Eden	Date: 24 th March 2021