

**RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER
DELEGATED AUTHORITY FROM
EXECUTIVE/COUNCIL/COMMITTEE
DELEGATED POWERS OUTLINED IN
THE CONSTITUTION**



DELEGATED OFFICER DECISION TAKEN BY:	Strategic Director of Growth & Development
DELEGATED BY:	Executive (October 2024)
IN CONSULTATION WITH:	Executive Member
PORTFOLIO AREA:	Growth & Development

SUBJECT: Approval of contract award for Phase 3 Capital Highway Surfacing Package

1. DECISION

Approve the contract award of Capital Surfacing Phase 3 Package to Aggregate Industries.

2. REASON FOR DECISION

A list of projects and surfacing sites to improve/maintain highway infrastructure was approved in the Executive Board Report "Highways Capital Programme 24/25".

The contract package for the following approved sites went on to lot 1:

- Alderman Arthur Townsend Way, Blackburn
- Greenhead Avenue, Blackburn
- Jack Walker Way, Blackburn
- Kelsall Avenue, Blackburn
- Shadsworth Road, Blackburn
- Sough Road, Darwen
- Troy Street, Blackburn
- Vale Street, Darwen
- West Park Road, Blackburn

Within Lot 1 for Footway and Carriageway Surfacing treatments, there are three contractors available. Tarmac Trading Ltd, Bethell Group plc and Aggregate Industries.

Tarmac Trading Limited, Bethell's and Aggregate Industries provided responses to during the tender process and all responses were valid.

The contract is to be awarded to Aggregate Industries as they have submitted the lower tender price.

3. BACKGROUND

A framework has been set up, consisting of 4 lots to ensure we have a wide range of solutions for carriageway and footway treatments. The contractors appointed to the framework were scored based on their quality and social value submissions. Each individual package of works/contract goes onto the framework for a mini competition which is based 100% on price.

4. KEY ISSUES AND RISKS

The main risk lies within the delivery timeframe for the surfacing works. The contract declared an allowed timeframe for the work to be undertaken to manage the impact on the network. Aggregate Industries submitted a proposed programme timeline as requested and this is within the contract requirements, so whilst the risk still exists, it has been mitigated and is considered to be very low with a minimal impact on the network.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No major financial implications – The tender return was lower than the available budget for the projects.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal implications, the procurement process has been carried out in accordance with the Council’s Contract and Procurement Procedure rules and the Public Procurement Regulations.

7. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no major resource implications, the capital surfacing contract will be managed by existing staff within the Highways service.

8. OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

No other options were considered, the surfacing projects were included in the “Highways Capital Programme 24/25” which has been approved by Executive Board and the contract has been procured through the agreed framework for such works.

9. CONSULTATIONS

None

10. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

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CONTACT OFFICER:	Paul Fletcher
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DATE:	08/10/2024
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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:	Highways Capital Programme 2024-25 Executive Board Report
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