

# Report to Cabinet

**17 March 2021**

<b>Subject:</b>	Asbestos Removal, Associated Works & Asbestos Testing
<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	Cabinet Member for Homes, Keith Allcock
<b>Director:</b>	Housing and Communities Alan Caddick
<b>Key Decision:</b>	Yes Above £250,000.00 threshold.
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## 1 Recommendations


- 1.1 That the Director – Housing and Communities be authorised to award contracts to undertake Asbestos Removal and Associated Works to Envirocall Ltd, for the sum of £729,519.75 and to undertake Asbestos Testing to Bradley Environmental Consultants Ltd, for the sum of £78,000.00, for the period of 4 years, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.
- 1.2 That the Director – Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer be authorised to enter into any legal agreements in connection with 1.1 above.



## 2 Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 This report is a recommendation to renew an existing contract to remove identified asbestos, undertake any associated repairs, and the facility to undertake testing of samples identified by Sandwell MBC.

## 3 How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

	<p>Quality homes in thriving neighbourhoods, this contract is required to allow Sandwell MBC to continue to maintain and upgrade its housing stock as and when required.</p> <p>Ambition 5: Our communities are built on mutual respect and taking care of each other, supported by all the agencies that ensure we feel safe and protected in our homes and local neighbourhoods.</p>
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## 4 Context and Key Issues

- 4.1 The council is seeking to appoint one contractor to undertake the Asbestos Removal & Associated Works, one contractor to undertake the Asbestos Sample Testing. The contracts are for a period of 4 years, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.
- 4.2 The contract has been divided into 2 Lots
- Lot 1 Asbestos Removal and Associated Repairs  
Lot 2 Asbestos Sample Testing
- 4.3 The current contract expires on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Tenders were invited in accordance with Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and the Council's Procurement and Contract Procedure Rules.
- 4.4 The anticipated value of the contracts is in the region of £807,519.75 (£201,879.93 per annum) for a period of four years.
- 4.5 The tenders received have been evaluated in accordance with the criteria stipulated within the tender documentation, 80% Price and 20% Quality.



- 4.6 The specification of this contract, Lot 1 to remove any identified asbestos and carry out associated works, Lot 2 to undertake asbestos sampling of materials.
- 4.7 The sharing of any relevant data for the delivery of this contract will be in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations.
- 4.8 Due to the very specialist nature of this service it was deemed not possible to include direct Social Value elements such as apprenticeships and work experience in to the contract documentation. However, it should be noted that Envirocall Ltd, are based in Birmingham and are the incumbent contractor, Bradley Environmental Consultants Ltd are Based in Halesowen and are our incumbent contractor. Due to their proximity they both employ local people.

## 5 Alternative Options

- 5.1 Sandwell MBC’s Asset Management and Maintenance, service do not have trained/qualified employees that can undertake either of the requirements for either of the lots in this tender due to the specialist nature of the service.

## 6 Implications

<b>Resources:</b>	The proposed contract £807,519.75 (£201,879.93 per annum) for provision of Asbestos Removal, Associated Works & Asbestos Sample Testing to Council Properties is included within approved Housing Revenue Account.
<b>Legal and Governance:</b>	All contracts will be awarded in accordance with the council’s Procurement and Contract Procedure Rules and the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.
<b>Risk:</b>	No Risks
<b>Equality:</b>	An Equality Impact Assessment was not undertaken as this is a renewal of an existing contractual arrangement. The contract will be monitored to ensure compliance.



<b>Health and Wellbeing:</b>	This Contract is required for Sandwell MBC to safely remove any Asbestos Containing Materials identified either as part of the Sample Testing carried out or where it is identified as being present.
<b>Social Value</b>	<p>Due to the speciality of this contract it isn't reasonable to request the contractors take on work experience students. The following was inserted into the contract Document.</p> <p>There is no formal social value scoring allocated to this tender exercise, however, the Council is strongly committed to supporting the provisions Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012. This requires due regard to be given to economic, social and environmental wellbeing factors in public contracts. Tenderers are required to take this in to consideration when preparing their bid. During the lifetime of this contract, the successful contractor may be required to work with the Council in promotion of this policy and may be called upon to work with the Council in the development of community initiatives that may be implemented.</p>

## 7. Background Papers

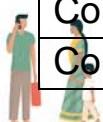
None

## 8. Appendices

Tender results per Lot including tender value

Lot 1 Asbestos Removal and Associated Works Value £729,519.75,  
(£182,379.33 per annum )

	Price Score	Quality Score	Total	Rank
Envirocall Ltd	79.28	20.00	99.28	1st
Contractor B	80.00	16.00	96.00	2nd
Contractor C	74.72	18.00	92.82	3rd
Contractor D	72.00	6.00	78.00	4th
Contractor E	52.80	20.00	72.80	5th
Contractor F	53.88	16.00	69.88	6th
Contractor G	55.77	14.00	69.77	7th



Lot 2 Asbestos Sample Testing Value £78,000.00, (£19,500.00 per annum)

	Price Score	Quality Score	Total	Rank
Bradley Environmental Ltd	80.00	20.00	100.00	1st
Contractor B	76.66	18.00	74.66	2nd
Contractor C	78.20	14.00	92.20	3rd
Contractor D	79.59	20.00	90.59	4th
Contractor E	23.41	20.00	43.41	5th

