

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Action Taken Under Delegated Powers

Exemption to extend the contract with Kane International

1 Summary Statement

- 1.1 This report seeks through delegated authority to continue with the use of Kane International for the Service and Calibration of Kane Flue Gas Analysers and Testing Equipment until 31 December 2020 at an estimated total cost of £20,000.
- 1.2 The intention of the Gas Services team was to let a three-year contract however regrettably the opportunity was only advertised as a one year contract in December 2017 with an expiry date of 31 December 2018.
- 1.3 It is not thought that any additional bids would have been received had the contract opportunity been advertised as the three year contract, as was the intention. The Council has previously advertised this contract on In-tend on two separate occasions with only the one bid received from Kane International. Gas Services team are satisfied with the bid received and the quality of service received from the supplier to date.
- 1.4 The Procurement Services Manager has been consulted and their advice is that ideally a new procurement process should be undertaken. However, since the opportunity was advertised on two separate occasions with only the single quote being received then any pre-procurement exercise would likely result in the same outcome therefore the most sensible approach would be to continue with Kane International for the 3 year period as was the original intention.
- 1.5 In accordance with the Council's Procurement & Contract Procedure Rules (Rule 15) an Exemption from any rule must be approved by the relevant Chief Officer following endorsement by the Procurement Services Manager.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Council continue to use Kane International for the Service and Calibration of Kane Flue Gas Analysers and Testing Equipment until 31 December 2020 at an estimated total cost of £20,000.
- 2.2 That any necessary exemptions be made under the Council's Procurement & Contract Procedure Rules to enable the course of action referred to above to proceed.

In accordance with the authority delegated to Chief Officers to act on matters within the authority delegated to them under Part 3 of the Council's Constitution, I intend to take the action(s) recommended above.

~~I do~~/do not have an interest to declare in this matter



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Date 12/11/18

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3. Background Details

- 3.1 The purpose of this contract is to carry out the servicing and calibration of gas analysers. These are important to the Gas Services team in carrying out checks on gas installations in our housing stock.

Source Documents
