

Report to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport
Report submitted by: Head of Service, Procurement
Date: 10 November 2015

Part II

Electoral Divisions affected:
Preston North, Preston
West and Preston Rural

Preston Western Distributor Road and North West Preston East West Link Road

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Executive Summary

This report sets out a recommendation following completion of a tender process conducted in accordance with European Legislation and the County Council's Standing Orders, to approve the award of a contract to a contractor to assist in the development of, and for the construction of, the Preston Western Distributor Road and all, part or none of the North West Preston East West Link Road.

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and the provisions of Standing Order No 25 have been complied with.

Recommendation

The Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport is recommended to approve the award of the contract to assist in the development of, and for the construction of, the Preston Western Distributor Road and all, part or none of the North West Preston East West Link Road as set out in the report now presented.

Background and Advice

In 2013 the County Council published the Central Lancashire Highways and Transport Masterplan which defined the County Council's ambitions for the future of highways and transport in the central Lancashire area. Included within the Masterplan was the aim to provide a major highway link Preston Western Distributor

Road (PWD) to the west of Preston running north south between the A583 and the M55 including forming a new junction on the motorway.

Also in 2013 the Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal was developed in the second tranche of the National City Deals which resulted in final agreement and signature. The City Deal provides the funding mechanism for the Preston Western Distributor Road.

The conditioning of the City Deal included the acceleration of the normal process for delivery of a new highway of this scale setting the ambitious target for road opening in 2019/20.

The North West Preston East West Link Road (EWLR) is a single carriageway new road serving the proposed development of 5000 houses. It will form part of the Planning Application with PWD as it does not stand alone as a section of infrastructure. However it may have the ability to be constructed early due to some or all the land being available without CPO.

The Council's in-house teams will undertake highway and structures design along with further work to inform the design, e.g. public consultation, environmental surveys, land acquisition studies, etc.

An OJEU compliant exercise has been undertaken to select a contractor to be involved in this scheme as follows:

- Phase 1 Development to Planning Application
To provide assistance as requested in preparing the Planning Application and if necessary responding to queries relating to same.
- Phase 2 Development of Design and a Target Cost
To provide assistance as requested in developing the detail design and determining Target Cost.
- Phase 3 Engineering and Construction of the Completion of Preston Western Distributor Road and all, part or none of the North West Preston East West Link Road.

Seven Invitation to Tender (ITT) documents were returned. These were evaluated based on the Most Economically Advantageous Tender, with a scoring weighting of 80% Quality and 20% Price. The scored returns were as follows:

Contractor	Quality	Price	Total
Costain			
Morgan Sindall			
Balfour Beatty			
Carillion			

Graham Construction	
Wills Bros	
Kier	

It is recommended that the tender from Costain be accepted.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Financial

A cost model was used for the Pricing element of the tender. Tenderers were asked to provide a Management Fee, Professional Services Hourly Rates and Overheads & Profits. An estimated construction cost of £100m was used in the model.

The tender return from Costain was in the sum of £111,902,955.10. The funding of which is being provided through the City Deal.

Legal

There are no legal risks associated with this decision.

Risk management

No significant risks have been identified in relation to the proposals contained within this report.

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
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None

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

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Recommendation:

The Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport approved the recommendation as set out in the full report.

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