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| **Report of the Repairs & Asset Manager**  **to**  **the Strategic Director**  **on**  30 July 2021 |
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| **Asbestos Removal, Remediation and Disposal** | |

**1. SUMMARY**

1.1 The council has recently procured, through the Nottingham City Council Procurement Unit a contract for Asbestos Removal, Remediation and Disposal, to multiple locations within the boundaries of Mansfield District Council. The initial contract is for a 3 year period expiring 1st August 2024 with an option to extend, following review, for a further two separate 12 month periods until 1st August 2026. The current contract was temporarily extended to allow all parties time to put resources in place as part of Covid recovery strategies.

1.2 **Key Decision**

This is a key decision as the value of the contact is in excess of £50,000 = £100,000 per year over a 5 year period.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Recommendation to the Strategic Director**

That the Strategic Director authorise the awarding of the contract to European Asbestos Services.

That the contract for Asbestos Removal, Remediation and Disposal be awarded to European Asbestos Services. The contract will commence on 2nd August 2021 until 1st August 2024, with an option to extend, following review, for a further two separate 12 month periods until 1st August 2026.

**3. BACKGROUND**

3.1 Nottingham City Council have undertaken a procurement exercise on behalf of Mansfield District Council. Mansfield District Council are the Contracting Authority; and will be entering into the contract with the appointed supplier.

3.2 The Authority’s detailed requirements are set out in the specification section and accompanying documentation

3.3 The tender specification was divided between quality and price and after reviewing all of the contractor’s submissions it is recommended that the contract is awarded to European Asbestos Services.

3.4 The allocation of work will be carried out by European Asbestos Services following authorisation by a MDC Inspector/Assessor or Team Leader. The contractor will then carry out the required removal, remediation and disposal.

The costs of this contract are contained within the existing budgets as follows:

Responsive Repairs budget: £100K per annum

**4. OPTIONS AVAILABLE**

4.1 Option 1 (recommended) – That the Strategic Director authorise the award of the contract between the Council and European Asbestos Services at an estimated cost of £100,000 per year for an initial 3 years following review, for a further two separate 12 month periods until 1st August 2026.

4.2 Option 2 – That the Strategic Director does not authorise the award of the contract – This option is not recommended as it will not be possible to continue with the elements of work that we are reliant upon having this contract in place.

1. **RISK ASSESSMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND OPTIONS**

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| **Risk** | **Risk Assessment** | **Risk Level** | **Risk Management** |
| Financial | Failure to remain within the budget allocated. | Low | The costs associated with this work are contained within the Housing Repairs Budget, for which there is a monthly finance meeting. Also costs are approved by the Operations Manager prior to issuing instructions to the Contractor. |
| Project Delivery | The selected contractor ceases to exist. | Medium | This will only cause delays in project delivery, whilst an alternative contractor is selected and delay the efficiency savings for the Housing Repairs service |

**6. ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

* 1. This report is in line with the Council’s housing priority for ensuring there is an adequate supply of good quality, well managed housing which is accessible and affordable to those who need it.

**7. IMPLICATIONS**

(a) Relevant Legislation – All procurement must be undertaken in compliance with Public Contracts Regulations (2006), where the value exceeds the European threshold, or in accordance with the Council’s procurement rules for those below the threshold.

1. Human Rights

It is not considered that the recommendation within this report will infringe on human rights, it is also important to note than anyone not wishing to have work carried out will have the right to refuse.

(c) Equality and Diversity

In reaching the above conclusion due regard has been taken of the general equality duty contained in the Equality Act 2010. This Act covers the issues which were formerly encompassed in the legislation detailed below:

Disability Discrimination Act 1995

Race Relations Act 1976

Sex Discrimination Act 1976

(d) Climate change and environmental sustainability

No direct link with climate change

(e) Crime and Disorder

The submission has no impact on crime and disorder

(f) Budget /Resource

As this contract is a renewal of an existing contract, all associated costs are contained with the existing budgets. There are no additional costs associated with the award of this contract.

**8. COMMENTS OF STATUTORY OFFICERS**

(a) Deputy Monitoring Officer – No specific comments

(b) Section 151 Officer – No specific comments

**9. CONSULTATION**

None.

**10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Documentation submitted by Nottingham city Procurement in support of the proposal held by the author of the report.

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