

Adur Executive Member for Environment & Worthing Executive Member for Digital & Environmental Services 26 June 2018

Decision to be taken on or after 4 July 2018

Key Decision: No

Ward(s) Affected: Marine Ward

Award of the Worthing Leisure Centre Athletic Track Refurbishment Contract

Director for Communities

Executive Summary

1. Purpose

1.1 To seek the approval of the Executive Members to award a tender in relation to the planned capital works scheme for the refurbishment of the Athletics track at Worthing Leisure Centre, Worthing, submitted 30th May 2018 by Cleveland Land Services (Guisborough) Ltd in the value of £102,120.77

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Executive Member is recommended to approve the award of the tender to Cleveland Land Services (Guisborough) Ltd

3. Background

- 3.1 The Athletics track was constructed circa 1994. It is a porous track which is comprised of a porous bituminous base layer covered with a rubber shock pad which is then sprayed with a red rubber granule polyurethane coating which provides the textured running surface
- 3.2 In 2004 the track was completely refurbished which required repairs to the rubber shock pad, retextured spraying the running surface and relining of the markings. These works had an estimated lifespan of 12 years

- 3.3 In 2016 it was noted that high use area of the track had deteriorated to the extent that the rubber shock pad had suffered damaged due to use. Emergency repairs were undertaken to the worst areas and it was recommended that further works were required to the track to repair additional areas of the rubber shock pad and respray the surface as soon as possible to prevent further degradation.
- 3.4 In June 2017 a report was submitted and subsequently approved by JSC providing the necessary funding to refurbish the athletics track and provide an estimated 12 yrs of life to the running surface.
- 3.6 Technical Services Engineers have prepared contract documentation and tendered the project in line with the Councils Standing Orders. Three tenders were returned and assessed, with the lowest tender submitted by Cleveland Land Services (Guisborough) Ltd being proposed for acceptance.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The Worthing leisure Centre Athletics Track refurbishment scheme was estimated in the June 2017 JSC Report at £150,000 including professional fees, and a budget of £150,000 is included in the current Capital Investment Programme.
- 4.2 The recent tendering exercise has led to the recommendation of Technical Services Officers in the awarding of a Contract in the sum of £102,120.77 (the lowest tender). Based on the recommended tender value, the project can be undertaken within the current budget.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 allow the Council to provide recreational facilities as it thinks fit and that includes the power to provide buildings, facilities, equipment, supplies and assistance of any kind, either without charge or on such payment as the authority thinks fit.
- 5.2 Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972 allows the Council to do anything which is intended to facilitate or is conducive to or ancillary to any of its functions.

5.3 The Council must comply with its contract standing orders in spending the approved funds. The Councils' Contract Standing Orders provide that the delegated authority for contract award and approval for a contract of this value lies with the Joint Individual Executive Members.

Background Papers

• JSC Report papers, dated 6th June 2017

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Sustainability & Risk Assessment

1. Economic

 The refurbishment of the track allows SDL to continue to hire the facility to the various local schools, the Harriers Athletics Club and other organisations.

2. Social

2.1 Social Value

 This proposal supports the Council's ongoing commitment to the health and well being of its community and the development of our sports strategy, as outlined in Platforms for our Places.

2.2 Equality Issues

• The refurbishment works will keep the facility open and accessible to all members of our community.

2.3 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

Matter considered and no issues identified.

2.4 Human Rights Issues

• Matter considered and no issues identified.

3. Environmental

Matter considered and no issues identified.

4. Governance

- This proposal supports the Council's development of its sports strategy, as outlined in Platforms for our Places.
- The Council may receive criticism and reputational damaged if the track is not refurbished.
- If the track is not refurbished and deteriorates further, it will be necessary to close the track for safety. There will also be the need to carry out any required on-going repairs to keep the facility secure and in a safe condition.