

Record of Officer Executive Decision Ref. No: DforE/004/20-21

Date of Decision: 09 October 2020

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Record of Decision: Decoy Farm Contract Award

Decision taken by: Director for the Economy

Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

I do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest, or conflict of interest.

Delegated authority: Under 2.6.8 of the Scheme of Delegations, a Director has delegated authority to do all matters in relation to procurement and the letting of contracts (after consulting with the Head of Business & Technical Services and the Solicitor to the Council). The procurement of this contract must have regard to the Councils' Joint Contract Standing Orders and to the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

As agreed at the Joint Strategic Committee meeting held on the 9th June 2020, the Director for the Economy has delegated authority to award the landfill remediation contract for Decoy Farm.

Decision:

To award the landfill remediation contract for Decoy Farm to Keltbray Remediation for £1,848,449.64.

Kev Decision: Yes

Reason For Decision:

The decontamination and development of Decoy Farm are identified in the Councils Corporate Plan (Prosperous Places: Section 1.8.3 Decoy Farm) and Core Strategy as priorities for the Council.

The planned remediation of the landfill at Decoy Farm will improve the overall condition of the site removing contaminants and hazards. Through remediation to bring the site back into use, the Council is increasing the supply of land available for employment use. It is making best use of Council assets and bringing brownfield land back into employment use which will provide new jobs for the local area.

Alternative Options Considered:

Do nothing, minimum or status quo: Site left in its current, unusable and potentially hazardous condition. Its historical use as a landfill site and underlying viability issues means that it cannot be developed in any way without investment and will require constant

monitoring to manage the risk of distillate contaminating adjoining land. Land will be left unused, contamination risks will increase over time.

Proposed option: Land remediation of Decoy Farm completed in readiness for site development. Remediation of an unsightly, hazardous site to improve its environmental quality. Remediation of the landfill will remove development barriers and will enable the council to realise the sites full commercial and environmental improvement potential including the proposed development of circa 13,500m2 of industrial units and associated landscaping. The completed project will see the land recovered to a condition that will support redevelopment and boost employment opportunities and economic performance across the region.

Other Matters Considered:

Legal Advice and Issues	Х	Financial Advice and Issues	х
Sustainability Issues	Х	Equality Issues	х
Community Safety Issues	Х	Human Rights Issues	х
Reputation	Х	Risk Assessment	х
Health & Safety Issues	Х		

Consultation:

Members were consulted on the project at the Joint Strategic Committee meeting of the 9th June 2020.

Background Papers: Joint Strategic Committee Report of 9th June 2020 - Unlocking development at Decoy Farm.

Call-in: The call-in deadline for this decision will be 5:00pm on 16 October 2020

Signed:

Dated: 8 October 2020

Name: Martin Randall, Director for the Economy

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