



Report to Council

Subject: Richard Herrod Leisure Centre Roof Replacement

Date: 8th July 2009

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1. Purpose of the Report

To seek a waiver to Standing Orders for the replacement of the roof at Richard Herrod Leisure Centre.

2. Background

See appendix 1 below, report to Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Well Being.

3. Recommendation

That Council waive Standing Orders to allow the six contractors identified in appendix 1 to be invited to tender for replacement of the roof at Richard Herrod Leisure Centre.

Appendix 1

Report to Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Wellbeing

Subject: Richard Herrod Leisure Centre Roof Replacement – Select Tender List

Date: 21st June 2009

Author: Keith Tansley – Head of Leisure Services

1. Purpose of the Report

To seek a waiver to Standing Orders for the replacement of the Bowls Centre roof at Richard Herrod Leisure Centre.

2. Background

The Richard Herrod Leisure Centre has a flat, low pitch roof covered by a single ply roofing membrane as opposed to the traditional felt roof construction. A single ply membrane is just a single flexible plastic/rubberised sheeting material that is mechanically fixed to the roof decking with the joints heated to bond together.

Direct Services Facilities Manager has met four manufacturers of roofing products, one of which is the original used on the Richard Herrod Leisure Centre roof.

After careful consideration it is the Facilities Officers' recommendation that two of the manufacturers products examined are most appropriate for this reroofing project. It must be noted however that these aren't the only manufacturers in the country and that nationally there are probably thirty to forty single ply membrane manufacturers, plus the same number again who manufacture alternative roof coverings, but to separately assess all these would be prohibitive and impractical.

The two manufacturers recommended are F.D.T. with a product called *Rhenofol CV*; this product is currently on the roof at Richard Herrod Leisure Centre, and Firestone with *Rubbergard*.

Both of these manufacturers operate an approved installer system whereby contractors are trained on the application of the product and regularly monitored for quality standards. These contractors are also vetted for financial strength and graded by the manufacturer in terms of capacity to take on larger roofing projects such as the Richard Herrod Leisure Centre, they are therefore licenced by the manufacturer to obtain their specific products.

As regards to selection of contractors, it is in the Councils interests to ensure the contractors are suitably experienced and competent to carry out the work required by ourselves and the manufacturers licensing of contractors scheme should ensure that.

Selection of the two products to be used on the roof replacement means that in this instance we are unable to openly advertise for interest of contractors, as required by standing orders, because only the product supplier's licenced contractors can obtain their product.

The roofing product manufacturers have both put forward the details of three approved contractors who they consider to have sufficient capacity and previous experience to carry out a large project of this nature, they are: -

For FDT

SPV Roofing & Cladding
Westgate
Aldridge
Walsall
Birmingham
WS9 8EX

For Firestone

Abco Rubber Roofing Limited
Eddie Richards
Chestnut House
Sheldon
Birmingham
B26 2TZ

Ashgate Roofing Systems Ltd
Chrysalis Way
Langley Bridge
Eastwood
Nottinghamshire
NG16 3RY

Raynor Mastics Ltd
33 Larwood Grove
Sherwood
Nottingham
NG5 3JD

Cobsen Davies Roofing Ltd
Unit 12 Abbey Business Park
Friday Street
Leicester
LE1 3BW

Roofing Maintenance Services
33 Signal Road
Grantham
Lincolnshire
NG31 9BL

Utilising the six companies listed above to provide tenders for the works would enable us to provide the most cost effective solution for the re-roofing.

3. Proposal

That a request is made to Council to waive Standing Orders allowing the roofing products and contractors identified in the Background section of the report to be invited to tender for the re-roofing of the Richard Herrod Leisure Centre. It should be noted that strict compliance with the Contract Standing Orders would have required tenders to be invited from not less than four contractors but the procedure being suggested in this report will result in tenders being sought from six contractors so that there will be no dilution in the competitive element to the tendering process.

4. Resource Implications

A budget of £100,000 has been made available within the Capital Programme for 2009/10.

5. Recommendation

To request that Council waive Standing Orders to allow the six contractors identified in this report to be invited to tender for replacement of the roof at Richard Herrod Leisure Centre.