

# Record of decision taken under delegated powers by a council officer



Title:	APPROVAL TO AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR MAIN CONSTRUCTION WORKS FOR EXPANSION OF ASHFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
Divisions Affected:	Ashford and Spelthorne
Key Decision:	No
Decision taken under delegation by virtue of:	Cabinet 4 February 2014 Min ref: 13/14

## Summary

Cabinet at its meeting of 4 February 2014 agreed that the Chief Property Officer in consultation with the Head of Procurement, Cabinet Member for Business Services, Cabinet Member for Schools and Learning, the Leader of the Council and Section 151 Officer, authorise the award of future schools capital construction contracts, above £500k in value, where a competitive tender procedure has been followed through the BuildSurrey portal. It was agreed that this authorisation would be formally minuted and the S151 Officer would retain the paperwork.

There is an approved funding allocation in the Medium Term Financial Plan 2014-2019 to fund the expansion of Ashford Park Primary by 1 FE. This report recommends approval to award a contract for the implementation of the main construction works. The additional school places are needed by September 2015. The award of this contract will enable the works to be completed on time.

This record formally confirms that a meeting was held under the above delegated Authorities on 4 November 2014, at which the award of the contract for main construction works at Ashford Park Primary School was approved as recommended in the submitted confidential contract award report.

## Decision made

### Decision made:

It was AGREED that following a competitive tender exercise contract be awarded for main construction works at Ashford Park Primary School to the contractor identified in paragraph 2 of the Contract Award Report.

**Reasons for Decision:**

To enable works to be carried out for the construction project at Ashford Park Primary School, which will result in additional 210 school places for pupils in Ashford area in accordance with the Council's statutory obligations.

Decision taken by:	Chief Property Officer
Decision taken on:	04 November 2014
To be implemented on:	04 November 2014

**Alternative options considered**

The tender for this contract has been conducted in accordance with Strategy for direct engagement with local small and medium enterprises (SME's) as approved by Cabinet on 4 February 2014. No alternative options are available for consideration by the Chief Property Officer.

**Summary of any financial implications**

There is an overall funding for this scheme at £3,141,747. Of this figure, £2,334,159 has been allocated for the construction works as follows:-

Scheme funding allocation	£ 3,141,747
1 New build classroom block	£ 1,729,783
2 Refurbishment works to existing building	£ 128,452
3 External works	£ 475,924
Abnormal and exceptional items and works:	
<b>4 Total Main Construction Works Estimate</b>	<b>£ 2,334,159</b>
5 Other costs	
6 Professional fees at 11.5% on 4 above	£ 268,428
7 Surveys	£ 78,767
8 Contingency 5% on 4 above	£ 116,708
9 Loose Furniture, Fittings and Equipment	£ 108,000
<b>10 TOTAL PROJECT COST ESTIMATE</b>	<b>£ 2,906,062</b>
The successful tenderer submitted a bid as follows:-	£2,334,159
Main Construction Works Estimate	
<b>Tender result: EW Beard Ltd</b>	<b>£2,086,878</b>
Potential saving on Main Construction Works	£247,281

**Declarations of conflicts of interest**

None.

**Consultation/Process Followed**

The Chief Property Officer has consulted with the Leader, the Cabinet Member for Business Services, the Cabinet Member for Schools and Learning, the Head of Procurement and the S151 Officer.

**Background Documents**

Exempt:

Contract award report

Yes