

CONTRACT FOR EXTENSION TO CLARE LODGE SECURE CHILDREN'S HOME – PHASE 6
COUNCILLOR SAM SMITH, CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES
February 2017
Deadline date: February 2017

Cabinet portfolio holder: Responsible Director:	Councillor Sam Smith Corporate Director: People and Communities Wendi Ogle-Welbourn
Is this a Key Decision?	YES If yes has it been included on the Forward Plan : YES Unique Key decision Reference from Forward Plan : KEY/10FEB17/01
Is this decision eligible for call-in?	YES
Does this Public report have any annex that contains exempt information?	YES By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
Is this a project and if so has it been registered on Verto?	YES Verto number: PR002284

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

1. Authorise the award of contract to Southview Building Solutions Ltd for the extension to Clare Lodge secure children's home, Glington, Peterborough for £3,859,971.44. from 16 February 2017 to 31 August 2018.

The Cabinet Member for Resources commented: TBC

1. SUMMARY OF MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 The award seeks approval to award a contract for the extension to Clare Lodge secure children's home to Southview Building Solutions Ltd.

2. PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

- 2.1 This report is for the Cabinet Member for Children's Services to consider exercising delegated authority under paragraph 3.4.8 (a) of Part 3 of the constitution in accordance with the terms of their portfolio at paragraph (a).
- 2.2 The attached report is NOT FOR PUBLICATION in accordance with paragraph (s) 3 of Schedule 12A of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972 in that it contains information relating to financial and business affairs, namely details of the tender bids submitted by the unsuccessful bidders. The public interest test has been applied to the information contained within the exempt annex and it is considered that the need to retain the information as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing it as to do so could compromise the Council's position in any future procurement of similar works.

3. TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting	N/A
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4. DETAILS OF DECISION REQUIRED

- 4.1 To approve the recommendation for an award of contract to Southview Building Solutions Limited for the extension to Clare Lodge Secure Children's Home
- 4.2 Currently Clare Lodge has accommodation for 16 young people whose living environment is set up across 4 lounges. The young people attend school within their lounge group or attend 1:1 specialised lessons.
- 4.3 The current configuration of rooms severely limits the Home's ability to accept multiple referrals of some young people presenting with the more extreme behaviours or higher level of mental health needs. Acceptance of more than one of these referrals would and does disrupt the service delivered to our existing cohort. This is due to increased levels of self-harm and high risk behaviours that need intensive staffing support. There is pressure to accept more referrals and take more placements for young people who have significant mental health difficulties and high risk behaviours, as nationally; Local Authority Directors have been struggling to secure placements for young people.
- 4.4 Therefore capital funding was applied for by Clare Lodge to include a four bed high dependency extension with additional classrooms within the Secure Unit. Department for education approved the funding in 2016. This is a project spanning financial year 2016/2017 and 2017/18; project expects to be completed by August 2018.
- 4.5 The decision maker to approve the award of the contract to complete the works as detailed below:
- To build a 4 bedroom extension including 2 lounges. To be built on south west side of the unit attached to the current gym building. (The 2 lounges to be adaptable for use e.g. have kitchenette, etc.)
 - Bedroom extension to include both meeting and therapeutic room. To support the placement of the higher mental health need/extreme behaviours.
 - To move the sports pitch to the (current) middle area and the swings and roundabout from the middle area to what is the current sports area. This will allow the proposed 4 bed extension building to be built away from the boundary and allow a forth external area to be created.

- To build an extension to the current education block (south east side of the unit) consisting of a minimum of 2 x classrooms on ground level, with provision on the first floor for storage and additional vocational classroom.
- To update current infrastructure systems to support the additional accommodation (including servers, heating/air conditioning, electric and security)

4.6 Evaluation criteria set out in the Invitation to Tender was weighted as follows:

- Pricing 25%
- Methodology 45%
- Quality 24%

4.7 Four bids were received and evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria. The outcome of the evaluation process and the scores obtained is set out below;

	Price Score	Quality	Methodology	Overall Score
Contractor A	25%	24%	45%	94%
Contractor B	14%	11%	32%	57%
Contractor C	23%	11%	23%	57%
Contractor D	30%	13%	9%	52%

5. CONSULTATION

5.1 Relevant internal and external stakeholders:

- Clare Lodge Secure Children's Home –Young People Resident and staff
- Glinton Parish Council - Cllr John Holditch
- Planning – granted 27.07.2016
- Peterborough City Council
- People Commissioning and Commercial Operations – Peterborough City Council
- Department for Education
- Ofsted
- NHS England (Sodexo / CPFT)
- Successful contractor

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

6.1 The successful completion of the extension to the Home which will:

- Improve service delivery to the young people resident at Clare Lodge
- Increase the number of beds available to the most vulnerable young people in the UK
- Increase income generation for Peterborough City Council through increased capacity in bed numbers that placing authorities will be able to purchase. Currently 16 beds, this will increase to 20 beds.

7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS & ANY RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

7.1 Clare Lodge is a local authority secure home and is part of Peterborough City Council and provides local authorities nationally with secure, welfare accommodation. There is a national shortage of welfare beds and the government is investing in this area. This provision provides secure accommodation for some of the most vulnerable young women in the country. The increased capacity of an additional four bedrooms and classrooms will go some way to meeting the national shortage of welfare beds.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 Do nothing and not carry out works. This option was rejected because the Council would have to return capital funding that was secured by a bid application to the Department for Education.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Environmental implications

- 9.1 Environmental checks have been completed as part of the planning application.
- 9.2 Improved income generation for the Council – increased workforce.

Legal implications

- 9.3 The Local Government (Contracts) Act 1997 makes provision about the powers of local authorities to enter into contracts
- 9.4 The procurement of the contract was undertaken in accordance with the Council's Contract Rules.

Equalities implications

- 9.4 There are no equalities implications arising from the recommendations.

Financial implications

10. DECLARATIONS / CONFLICTS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

- 10.1 None.

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985) and The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

- Bid application 2015
- Capital Agreement Department of Education
- Planning permission