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To Hythe Town Council
Date 20 June 2022
Status **Non-Exempt**
Responsible officer **Town Clerk**

Subject **STATION ROAD ROUNDABOUT MAINTENANCE
REPORT F&GP/06/22**

SUMMARY: This report provides a recommendation to carry out works on the Station Road Roundabout and flower tubs/litter bins and recommends that the Committee reviews in accordance with good practice.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee is asked to agree the recommendations set out below because; -

- a) The Council is committed to control and manage its financial affairs in accordance with The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) guidelines.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. To receive and note the report **F&GP/06/22**.
2. To recommend to full Council to award Contractor A, B or C with the contract.

INTRODUCTION

At the Hythe Civic Society Executive Meeting on 15 March 2022, Councillor Miles raised a question over the ownership of the steel piping frame furniture, which is installed on the roundabout at the east end of the High Street. The flower tubs, baskets etc are mounted on this framework.

It was stated that it now belongs to HTC, having been passed over from KCC some years ago.

The frame is badly in need of repainting.

It is recommended that Hythe Town Council refurbish the framework along with the flower tubs and metal litter bin at the High Street entrance.

Following the request a specification was sent out to contractors on the Council's preferred contractors list for quotes to complete the works.

The specification was as follows:

Station Road Roundabout

All blue painted metalwork on roundabout

To remove all flower brackets

To sand down all metalwork to a sound edge and degrease

To spot prime bare metal and rust

To paint all metalwork with two coats of Dulux Metalshield gloss in Hythe Town Blue (Ral 2603010 / BS 20C40), picking out caps in silver to match existing.

To refix flower brackets

2X blue painted metal flower tubs, and metal litter bin (high st entrance, station road roundabout)

To sand down all painted metalwork and degrease

To spot prime bare metal and rust

To paint all metalwork with two coats of Dulux Metalshield gloss in Hythe Town Blue (Ral 2603010 / BS 20C40, picking out piping and wording in silver to match existing.

Three quotes have been received for the proposed works as follows.

Station Road Roundabout

Contractor A £2,556.00

Contractor B £3,225.00

Contractor C £2,125.00

Station Road Flower tubs and metal bin

Contractor A £714.00

Contractor B £972.00

Contractor C £525.00

All prices quoted above exclude vat.

About the Contractor's

Contractor A carries out maintenance, refurbishment, alteration and new build projects throughout Kent. They directly employ all trades and operate a Building Department and a Painting Department. They carry out projects up to a million pounds in value in the Commercial, Education, Healthcare, Historic and Housing sectors. They work closely with their clients providing a reliable service and consistently high standard of workmanship which has ensured much repeat business.

As a family enterprise that was established in 1922 forward thinking and a proactive approach to the changing requirements of the industry has been imperative but the company ethos and values of quality, friendly professionalism and reliability remain unchanged.

Contractor B is a modern 21st Century construction company where contemporary principles and practices are interwoven with time-honoured, traditional values acquired during its 111-year history. has the capacity and expertise to undertake projects, large and small, ranging from under £100 to over £1million spanning the Domestic/Residential, Education, Commercial and New Build sectors. With a proven track record and having built close relationships with many of their customers over the years.

They work collaboratively with their sub-contractors to ensure work is of the highest standard to deliver on the customer's vision. Many of these local companies have worked with them for a number of years and have subsequently become an integral part of the team and an extension of the company.

They believe that it is important to be at the heart of the local community and so they have endeavoured to support and promote local sports clubs, charities, charitable events and community projects throughout the years, whether through sponsorship, donations or time given by our staff.

Contractor C is a family run organisation founded in 1966, with over 50 years of experience in all areas of construction. They have a proven track record of understanding the importance of operating with minimal disruption to their customers. During its 50-year history, the company has developed from engaging in contracts for individuals to providing full project management and partnerships with larger companies and local authorities.

SUMMARY

All three contractors have superb proven track records and have previously completed works for the Council. All three businesses have been built up from local family businessmen.

The next full Council meeting will be held on 28 July 2022, where the recommendation from this report will be ratified. Hythe in Bloom will be removing this year's floral display in mid September. If a contractor is agreed, the works could be booked following this date.

The committee is asked to recommend to full council a contractor to complete the works. Based on price the recommended contractor would be contractor C.

RISK MANAGEMENT

A summary of the perceived risk follows.

Perceived Risk Council does not refurbish the metalwork on the roundabout at Station Road and the metalwork becomes tired.

Risk High

Likelihood Low

Preventative Action To award the contract so that the refurbishment can commence.

CONTACT OFFICER

If you have any queries about this report, please contact The Town Clerk and the Responsible Financial Officer of the Council.

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