

OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

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Title of report	Contract For The Provision Of A Hay Bailing, Cutting And Hedge Trimming Service On Behalf Of The London Borough Of Hillingdon
Reference No.	CMD 139
Date of decision	25 May 2021
Call-in expiry date	5pm, on 2 June 2021
Relevant Select Committee(s)	Environment, Housing & Regeneration Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	All

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Cllr lan Edwards - Leader of the Council Cllr Eddie Lavery - Cabinet Member for Environment, Housing & Regeneration
DECISION	 That the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Environment, Housing & Regeneration: 1. Accept the tender from JS Agriculture Ltd for the provision of hay cutting, bailing and hedge cutting to the London Borough of Hillingdon for a three-year period from June 2021 to May 2024 and at the value of £293,821.05. 2. Agree to include the provision to extend the contract for a two-year period, subject to approval by the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Environment, Housing & Regeneration, in consultation with the Corporate Director of Planning, Environment, Education & Community Services, at a total contract value of £489,701.75 over the full five years.

Reason for decision	The current contract with JS Agriculture is in its final year of the extension period and, therefore, officers undertook a competitive tender exercise to award a new contract. Following completion of the competitive tender exercise, the bid by JS Agriculture Ltd. represented the most economically advantageous tender to officers.
Alternative options considered and rejected	The option to cease the hay cutting, baling and hedge cutting programme was considered but subsequently dismissed. This was dismissed as it would have a negative visual impact and would lead to the Council receiving numerous complaints from residents. The option to bring the service in house was also considered, however, due to limited staff resource, specialist horticultural knowledge and capital expenditure required for the machinery to provide the service, this option was also dismissed.
Classification	The report relating to this decision was declared as exempt from publication as it involved the disclosure of information in accordance with Section 100(A) and paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), in that the report contained information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighed the public interest in disclosing it.
Link to report (if public)	Exempt report
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Jamie Bell & Directorate – Planning, Environment, Education & Community Services

Decision implementation

Where required, these decisions have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

Officers can implement this decision from: 2 June 2021 – from 5pm

...unless this is called in by the relevant Select Committee set out above. Officers will be notified of any call-in received.

Further information

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