

REPORT TO: Executive Board Sub-Committee
DATE: 08 May 2008
REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Environment
SUBJECT: Award of Contract for Silver Jubilee Bridge, Runcorn Spandrel (Y5 to L4) - Preparation and Repainting of Steelwork.
WARDS: Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform as regards the award of the Silver Jubilee Bridge (SJB), Runcorn Spandrel (Y5 to L4) - Preparation and Repainting of Steelwork Contract to Roy Hankinson Ltd

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the report be noted.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 This major repainting work is being undertaken as part of the ongoing structural maintenance of the SJB Complex and Associated Structures.

3.2 The works comprise the following principal operations:

- The blast removal of all existing paint coatings & corrosive products, localised repair and repainting of the steelwork.
- Breaking out and repair of reinforced concrete at various locations to the deck soffit and the installation of a cathodic protection system.

3.3 The area of the bridge being addressed in the Contract is centred on the Runcorn pin support and surrounding structural elements. All activity will be confined to below carriageway although there will be some disruption for traffic using the SJB associated with repair to the deck slab.

3.4 Tenders were received from the following Contractors who have been drawn from the Constructionline database of approved Contractors:

Pyeroy Ltd
Roy Hankinson Ltd
T.I Protective Coatings
Jack Tighe Ltd

3.5 The arithmetically correct prices received were (in ascending order):

1. £1,066,221.35
2. £1,117,298.25
3. £1,172,877.50
4. £1,307,129.54

3.6 The lowest tender was submitted by Roy Hankinson Ltd for the sum of £1,066,221.35.

3.7 Following a detailed review of the returned tenders and the satisfactory completion of a Pre-Contract meeting the Contract has been let to Roy Hankinson Ltd.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The work forms part of the Council's Maintenance Strategy Plan for the Silver Jubilee Bridge Complex and Associated Structures.

5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Resource Implications

The Contract will be funded from the Council's capital budget in the form of direct capital grant for Bridge Strengthening and Maintenance on the Primary Route Network awarded through the Local Transport Plan settlement.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 The SJB Complex forms part of the strategic route through the Borough. Implementation of a formal programme of maintenance is essential to ensure the continued availability of the crossing and thereby avoid compromising the Council's ability to deliver any of its strategic priorities.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 Financial Exposure of the Council.

All tenderers were selected from the 'Constructionline' pre-qualification database of contractors. HBC internal audit have carried out a further assessment of each company's financial standing and have advised that all tenderers have sufficient financial capability to undertake a contract of this value. Payments under the proposed contract will be due under a payment valuation based on ad-measurement of work completed. A performance bond will be a requirement of the contract.

7.2 Time and Cost Over-run

The risk of cost and time overruns associated with this project will be managed through the application of the ICE Conditions of Contract (Fifth Edition) which set out procedures for dealing with the effects of changes on price and completion date issues. The proposed contract will be supervised by dedicated on-site staff and administered by the Bridge Maintenance Division.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

Hankinson have been requested to provide details of their equality and diversity policy.

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Document

Contract N^o HE 360
Silver Jubilee Bridge, Runcorn
Spandrel (Y5 to L4) - Preparation
and Repainting of Steelwork
Instructions for tendering

Place of Inspection

Bridge Maintenance
Division,
Rutland House,
Runcorn.

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