

**City of Wolverhampton Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet (Resources) Panel on Wednesday, 18 October 2023**

<b>Item 4</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services
<b>Status</b>	Recommendations Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Visitor City, in consultation with the Director of Communications and Visitor Experience, to approve the award of a contract for Events Security when the evaluation process is complete.</li> <li>2. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Adult Social Care to approve the award of a contract for Dementia Community Support Service when the evaluation process is complete.</li> <li>3. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Adult Social Care to approve the award of a contract for Direct Payment Support, and Bookkeeping and Payroll Service when the evaluation process is complete.</li> <li>4. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract for the Wolverhampton Young Peoples Activity Programme when the evaluation process is complete.</li> </ol>
<b>Options Considered</b>	The options are detailed within the evaluation of alternative options section of the individual contract reports.
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	The reasons for the decisions are detailed within the relevant section of the individual contract reports.
<b>Record of Conflicts of Interest</b>	None
<b>Dispensation Granted</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decision available for implementation (subject to call-in)</b>	23 October 2023

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<b>Item 5</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Well Connected Communities - A454 City East Gateway Phases 1 & 2 Progress Report
<b>Status</b>	Recommendations Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change in consultation with the Director of Resident Services to approve the advertisement and pursuit of Traffic Regulation Orders for the A454 City East Gateway Phases 1 &amp; 2 – Willenhall Road project in line with the approvals granted in the Investing In Our Well-Connected Communities Transport Capital Programme 2023-2024 report.</li> <li>2. That engagement in Early Contractor Involvement for development of the work programme under the Midlands Highway Alliance Medium Scheme Framework or other alternative appropriate framework up to a value of £100,000 be approved, subject to a signed grant agreement.</li> <li>3. That the removal of vegetation and trees be authorised, subject to grant funding being secured.</li> <li>4. That a supplementary capital budget of £400,000 for the development of the A454 City East Gateway – Willenhall Road project fully funded by City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) grant be approved and the utilisation, subject to a signed grant agreement be approved.</li> <li>5. That the Chief Operating Officer be authorised to enter into or execute or seal the Grant Agreement, an agreement pursuant to Section 8 of the Highway Act 1980 together with any other legal agreement in relation to the scheme as deemed necessary in respect of the above-mentioned paragraphs.</li> <li>6. That the submission of the draft Outline Business Case to the Department for Transport and expected decision in early 2024 be noted.</li> </ol>

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. That the ongoing development work on the A454 City East Gateway Phases 1 &amp; 2 - Willenhall Road Outline Business Case and towards the Full Business Case submission to the Department for Transport (DfT) and West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA), in line with the approvals granted by the Investing In Our Well-Connected Communities Transport Capital Programme 2023-2024 report be noted.</li> <li>8. That it be noted that further approvals would be sought for additional externally provided development funding.</li> <li>9. That the submission of the Strategic Outline Business Case to the Single Assurance Framework at West Midlands Combined Authority in December 2022 and approved £400,000 of the project's CRSTS allocation be noted.</li> <li>10. That the engagement in ongoing consultation with impacted parties be noted.</li> <li>11. That it be noted that future property acquisitions would be considered in a separate report, A454 City East Gateway Phases 1 and 2 (Willenhall Road) Property Acquisitions Report, which details the property acquisitions required to deliver the project and the approvals needed for the acquisitions.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Options Considered</b></p>	<p>The preferred option for this project was presented and endorsed by the Council on 2 April 2019. This is Option D: Multi-Modal Corridor Enhancements.</p> <p>Options A (Minor Interventions), B (A Focus on Sustainable Modes) and C (Bus Priority Route) were not pursued because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Option A offered limited improvement for sustainable transport, did not change access options for future development sites or meet any of the corridor aspirations in regard to improved air quality and working environment.</li> <li>• Option B offered no change in access options for future development sites and the level of anticipated mode shift was not sufficient to address the issues of air quality and noise along the corridor.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Option C offered no improvement to access development sites, and the width of bus lanes required to make this option viable would significantly impact other modes.</li></ul>
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	With the project already approved for development, the primary reason for the decisions is to ascertain the approvals needed to progress the scheme towards implementation.
<b>Record of Conflicts of Interest</b>	None
<b>Dispensation Granted</b>	Not applicable
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<b>Item 6</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Exclusion of press and public
<b>Status</b>	Recommendation Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
<b>Options Considered</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Record of Conflicts of Interest</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Dispensation Granted</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Decision available for implementation (subject to call-in)</b>	Not applicable.

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<b>Item 7</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works Goods and Services
<b>Status</b>	Recommendations Approved
<b>Record of Decision</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That a contract for the Dudley Street Refurbishment be awarded to Taylor Woodrow Infrastructure Ltd, of Astral House, Watford, Hertfordshire, WD24 4WW, for a duration of eight months from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 for a total contract value of £850,000.</li> <li>2. That a contract for the City Centre Public Realm Improvements Phase Two (Lichfield Street/Queen Square) be awarded to Taylor Woodrow Infrastructure Ltd, of Astral House, Watford, Hertfordshire, WD24 4WW for a duration of eight months from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 for a total contract value of £351,000.</li> <li>3. That the current contract for Single Persons Accommodation be extended to People, Potential, Possibilities t/a P3, Eagle House, Cotmanhay Road, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 8HU from 1 November 2023 to 31 March 2024 with a variation value of £415,417.</li> <li>4. That utilisation of the Dynamic Purchasing System for the Supply of Independent Living Equipment to London Borough of Croydon of Bernard Weatherill House, 8 Mint Walk, Croydon, CR0 1EA for three years from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2026 for an estimated total contract value of £1,200,000 be approved.</li> <li>5. That the exemptions to the Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance from 1 July to 31 August 2023 be noted.</li> </ol>
<b>Options Considered</b>	As detailed in the exempt report.
<b>Reasons for Decision</b>	As detailed in the exempt report.

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