

OFFICER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION AND PLACE

KEY DECISION NO

DIRECTORATE: REGENERATION AND PLACE

WARDS AFFECTED: SEACOMBE, LEASOWE AND MORETON EAST, BIRKENHEAD AND TRANMERE, BEBINGTON, WEST KIRBY AND THURSTASTON.

SUBJECT: INSTALLATION OF SWIMMING POOL COVERS AT GUINEA GAP BATHS, LEASOWE LEISURE CENTRE, EUROPA POOLS, WEST KIRBY CONCOURSE AND THE OVAL.

1.0 DECISION:

The Director of Regeneration and Place has approved that H2O Servicing Limited be awarded the contract to supply and install swimming pool covers at Guinea Gap Baths, Leasowe Leisure Centre, Europa Pools, West Kirby Concourse and the Oval within approved budget and as the highest scoring tenderer in accordance with the lowest fixed price criteria.

2.0 REASONS FOR THE DECISION

- 2.1 A request for a Capital allocation to support the installation of pool covers at the Council's leisure facilities was approved by Council as part of the Capital Monitoring process.
- 2.2 All efforts to reduce energy usage are significant not only due to the financial implications of running Council services but also due to the Council's commitments to a sustainable environment. Pool covers are an effective method of reducing energy consumption by up to 10-30% of total pool energy use.
- 2.3 A detailed specification of employers' requirements was issued in October 2022 and an open tender exercise undertaken. Three bids were received. The bids were scored on a fixed price basis with H2O Servicing Limited meeting the necessary requirements and submitting the lowest priced bid and being the only compliant tender.

3.0 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

- 3.1 The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been completed. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

4.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 4.1 The officers involved in the commissioning and procurement of this contract have no interests to declare.
- 4.2 The Director of Regeneration and Place as the nominated officer for this decision has no interest to declare.

Signed:

Officer: David Hughes

Title: Director Regeneration and Place

Date: 26 January 2023

A list of background papers on this issue is held with: Head of Service, Asset Management

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