

**REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - 26 SEPTEMBER 2011**  
**REPORT ON: WHITFIELD LIFE SERVICES BUILDING - ENABLING WORKS**  
**REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT**  
**REPORT NO: 438-2011**

## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To obtain approval for:
- a the City Engineer to obtain tenders for the proposed enabling works
  - b the most appropriate tender to be accepted by the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) provided the amount is within the budget allowance stated in this report; and
  - c the accepted tender to be reported to this Committee at a later date.

## **2 RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee gives approval for
- a the City Engineer to obtain tenders for the proposed enabling works
  - b the most appropriate tender to be accepted by the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) provided the amount is within the budget allowance stated in this report; and
  - c the accepted tender to be reported to this committee at a later date.

## **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The Director of Finance has stated that the expenditure can be funded from the overall allowance for the Whitfield Life Services Building within the Capital Plan 2011/2014

## **4 BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 Reference is made to article IV of the minute of meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 24 January 2011 when report No 18-2011 was approved. The Committee approved the proposal to develop the Whitfield Life Services Centre to replace existing Leisure and Communities and Social Work facilities in the area, and enhanced health care and shopping provision to the existing community and proposed new developments and remitted to the City Architectural Services Officer to finalise the design, submit a planning application for the development and procure an appropriate contractor through a competitive tender process.
- 4.2 The scheme design has now developed and in the interests of maintaining the programme it is considered beneficial that enabling works are carried out prior to the main contract starting on site. The works comprise preparation of the site including

the bulk removal of spoil from the site to St. Saviour's, services diversions and formation of a temporary car park to support the new Whitfield School. These works are mainly of a Civil Engineering nature and the City Engineer is presently preparing tender documents. In order to allow these works to be carried out during the better weather it is proposed that approval is granted to allow the officers to place the contract following a competitive tender process and to report the result retrospectively to the Committee.

4.3 The cost to complete these works is estimated to be around £600,000 including allowances.

4.4 Planning approval was obtained at the Development Management Committee on 21 March 2011.

## **5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

## **6 CONSULTATIONS**

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Director of Finance have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

## **7 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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