



Bus Shelter supply and installation and bus shelter solar illumination system supply and installation (3 Lots) - Call Off contract awards, Contract 15-133

Committee Strategy & Programmes

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Report by Assistant Chief Executive (Operations)

1. Object of report

To recommend the Committee approve:

- the award of the call off contract to supply and install aluminium frame bus shelters (Lot 1) to Commutaports;
- the award of the call off contract to supply and install steel frame bus shelters (Lot 2) to Trueform;
- the award of the call off contract to supply and install bus shelter solar illumination systems (Lot 3) to Commutaports.

2. Background

SPT currently operates bus shelter agency agreements with 8 Local Authorities (East Dunbartonshire, East Renfrewshire, Glasgow City, Inverclyde, North Ayrshire, South Ayrshire, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire), and one of the requirements of this role is to arrange the installation of new or replacement shelters within the budget levels agreed with the councils.

A contract is therefore required to enable SPT to call off the required bus shelters when funding is available. As funding is confirmed on a yearly basis, tenderers were advised that the volume of work cannot be guaranteed.

Over the last 7 years bus shelter renewal programmes have been carried out by SPT and the local authorities with 2098 new shelters installed within the 8 local authority areas (1431 aluminium frame shelters and 667 steel frame shelters).

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This programme is now nearing completion and the anticipated volume of shelters to be called off over the next few years will be lower, estimated around 50 shelters per year, and this will vary from year to year.

When installing new shelters the opportunity will be taken, subject to funding being available, to include solar powered illumination through a call off contract. Solar illumination within bus shelters is more cost effective than mains illumination and also alleviates the need for costly annual testing.

3. Outline of proposals

SPT requires a resourceful bus shelter contractor or contractors with a depth of experience who will provide SPT with confidence in their ability to react to our various bus shelter requirements.

Contracts for 3 Lots were advertised Europe wide by SPT via the OJEU process indicating the evaluation methodology of MEAT (Most Economical Advantageous Tender) for all Lots.

The contract was tendered as 3 lots:

Lot 1 - Aluminium frame shelters with curved glazed roof

Lot 2 - Steel frame shelter with angled flat roof

Lot 3 - Shelter solar illumination system

The advertisement notice intimated that through an open tendering exercise, bidders would be considered via a 2 stage process comprising a Selection Stage and a subsequent Award Stage with the tenders to be evaluated on a 60/40 Quality/Price basis.

In the tender evaluation Selection Stage, tenderers were not considered if they failed to meet the minimum standards and levels required. For Lot 1, two tenders were received and both progressed to the tender evaluation Award Stage. For Lot 2, two tenders were received and one progressed to the evaluation Award Stage. For Lot 3, three tenders were received and two progressed to the evaluation Award Stage.

Pricing schedules for Lot 1 and 2 were submitted by the tenderers for a variety of shelter sizes, designs and quantities based on estimated requirements over the next 3 years, (110 shelters over 3 years for Lot 1 shelters, 40 shelters over 3 years for Lot 2 shelters). For Lot 3, the price to supply and fit a shelter solar illumination system at the time of shelter production and the price to retrofit a shelter solar illumination system were provided by the contractors for a price comparison.

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Tender Assessment results:

LOT 1	Quality score out of 60	Price comparison total	Price score out of 40	Total Score
Commutaports	60	£294,059	40	100
Trueform	56.47	£393,225	29.91	86.38

LOT 2	Quality score out of 60	Price comparison total	Price score out of 40	Total Score
Trueform	60	£216,675	40	100

LOT 3	Quality score out of 60	Price comparison total	Price score out of 40	Total Score
Commutaports	60	£2,175	40	100
Trueform	56.84	£3,440	25.29	82.13

4. Conclusions

Following conclusion of the tender processes, it is concluded that Commutaports tender submissions for Lot 1 and Lot 3 are the most economically advantageous and the Trueform submission for Lot 2 is the most economically advantageous.

5. Committee action

The Committee is recommended to:

- a) approve the award of call off contract for Lot 1 Aluminium frame bus shelters to Commutaports, for 3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years on a year by year basis. Rates quoted in pricing schedule are fixed for 3 years. Contract value is dependent on funding available but is estimated at around £106,920 pa for 40 no of shelters.
- b) approve the award of call off contract for Lot 2 Steel frame bus shelters to Trueform for 3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years on a year by year basis. Rates quoted in pricing schedule are fixed for 3 years. Contract value is dependent on funding available but is estimated at around £54,169 pa for 10 no of shelters.
- c) approve the award of call off contract for Lot 3 Bus Shelter solar Illumination System to Commutaports for 3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years on a year by year basis. Rates quoted in pricing schedule are fixed for 3 years. Contract value is dependent on funding available but is estimated at around £48,750 pa for 50 no of solar illumination systems.

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6. Consequences

Policy consequences: *In line with Regional Transport Strategy.*

Legal consequences: *Contracts will be awarded in accordance with the advertised and agreed terms and conditions.*

Financial consequences: *Expenditure per financial year will be dependent on funding available at each Local Authority.*

Personnel consequences: *None.*

Equalities consequences: *None.*

Risk consequences: *None.*

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