

# Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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Subject:	Broad Marsh - Development Advisor
Total Value:	£50,000 (Type: Capital)
Decision Being Taken:	To approve the award of a contract for a Development Advisor role to Stories (Services) Limited
Reasons for the Decision(s)	<p>Following approval at 20 October 2020 Executive Board, an advisory panel has been established to work with the Council to help build an ambitious vision for the Greater Broad Marsh area. The Greater Broad Marsh Advisory Group will consider and build on the submissions received during the "Big Conversation" public engagement and has been asked to make recommendations on two crucial aspects for the future of the Broadmarsh area: a creative vision and a delivery strategy.</p> <p>Having undertaken an early scoping exercise consultancy support has been identified to work with the Advisory Group. A Development Advisor is required to collate market demand requirements, and provide options analysis and recommendations for the most suitable delivery strategy.</p> <p>Three suppliers were invited to submit a proposal for the Development Advisor role. The responses have been assessed and scored against the chosen evaluation criteria and as a result it is recommended that a contract is awarded to Stories (Services) Limited who had the highest evaluated score.</p> <p>LEP funding has been allocated for fund the procurement of this consultancy support.</p>
Other Options Considered:	Use of in-house services: this option has been rejected as there is insufficient resource internally to provide the technical support required. Not having a Development Advisor: this option has been rejected as this specialist input is needed with regards to the delivery strategy.
Background Papers:	None

<b>Published Works:</b>	None
<b>Affected Wards:</b>	Citywide
<b>Colleague / Councillor Interests:</b>	None
<b>Use of Consultants</b>	<b>Number of Days:153</b> <b>Rate per Day:0</b> <b>Total value:50000</b> <b>Start date:03/05/2021</b> <b>End date:30/09/2021</b>
<b>Reason for using a consultant:</b>	To support the development of the Greater Broadmarsh Advisory Group's creative vision and delivery strategy.
<b>Other options considered:</b>	Use of in-house services: this option has been rejected as there is insufficient resource internally to provide the technical support required.
<b>Name of consultant:</b>	Stories (Services) Limited
<b>Reason for selection?</b>	Stories scored highest against the selection criteria.
<b>Has the consultant previously completed work for the City Council?</b>	No
<b>Specific activities to be undertaken by the consultant are:</b>	To collate market demand requirements, to prepare options analysis and recommendation for the most suitable delivery strategy for the Broad Marsh area vision.
<b>Period of engagement:</b>	May - September 2021
<b>By what process was the consultant selected?</b>	Invited Tender selection
<b>Consultations:</b>	Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.
<b>Crime and Disorder Implications:</b>	The redevelopment of the Broadmarsh area will significantly transform the vitality and viability of the southern part of the city centre for Nottingham's citizens and visitors. Redevelopment of the site will reduce opportunities for crime and disorder.
<b>Equality:</b>	EIA not required. Reasons: The decision does not relate to new or changing policies, services or functions.

**Social Value Considerations:** The location and scale of the Broadmarsh development means it is important to the population of the City and wider region. The market on its own is unlikely to deliver an optimal solution, given the uncertainty and complexity around the site and its potential value. Public sector intervention, at this stage, has the ability to overcome this market failure and create value for residents of and visitors to the City Centre.

**Relates to staffing:** Yes

**Relates to Council Property Assets:** Yes

**Decision Type:** Portfolio Holder

**Subject to Call In:** Yes

**Call In Expiry date:** 04/06/2021

**Advice Sought:** Legal, Finance, Procurement, Human Resources, Property

**Legal Advice:** Due to the value and scope of this contract and the satisfaction of the Head of Contracting and Procurement with regard to the quotation process that has been undertaken, there are no significant legal issues arising from this decision.  
  
Legal Services will review the proposed terms of engagement and provide any necessary advice in this regard.  
  
Advice provided by Naomi Vass (Senior Solicitor) on 25/05/2021.

**Finance Advice:** The expenditure indicated within this decision is already budgeted within the approved Capital Programme (approved at Executive Board February 2021), and is fully funded by external grant. Therefore, following approval of this decision no amendment to the Capital Programme is required.  
  
As this expenditure is already within the current Capital Programme it does not require endorsing by the Capital Board. In addition to this as the expenditure is entirely funded by external grant it is outside the current amended scheme of delegation.  
  
Advice provided by Tom Straw (Senior Accountant - Capital Programmes) on 26/05/2021.

**Procurement Advice:** Three quotes have been obtained for this requirement and an assessment undertaken to ascertain the most economically advantageous proposal therefore the process is compliant with Contract Procedure Rules. Dispensation from the use of the Council's e-tendering system has been approved by the Head of Contracting and Procurement. Advice provided by Steve Oakley (Head of Contracting and Procurement) on 17/05/2021.

**HR Advice:** HR advice is contained within the attached document. Advice provided by Labeeb Aslam (HR Consultant) on 17/05/2021.

Advice documents: HR Comments on DDM - BroadMarsh Advisor.docx

**Property Advice:** This decision is supported by Property Services as it will ensure high quality technical advice is provided. Advice provided by Beverley Gouveia, Development & Disposals Manager 17.05.2021. Advice provided by Beverley Gouveia (Estates Surveyor) on 17/05/2021.

**Signatures:**

David Mellen (Leader/ PH Strategic Regeneration Communications)

SIGNED and Dated: 27/05/2021

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Michael Wayne Bexton (Interim CD for Growth & City Development)

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