

Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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Subject:	Mapperley Park Flood Alleviation Scheme
Total Value:	£40,000.00 (Type: Capital)
Decision Being Taken:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Authorise the award of a contract of up to £40k to Severn Trent Water to for the provision of Environment Agency compliant modelling services as described below.2) Authorise dispensation from Contract Procedure Rule 5.1.1 in accordance with Financial Regulation 3.29 to award the contract to Severn Trent Water for the reasons set out below.
Reasons for the Decision(s)	<p>Nottingham City Council are currently undertaking a joint venture with the local Water and Sewerage Company (WaSC) to develop and implement a surface water management scheme in the Mapperley Park area. Anecdotal information suggests approx. 177 residential properties are at risk of internal property flooding from surface water/sewer sources. It is understood that there is a direct link between the receiving sewer capacity and the effective removal of surface water, so a partnership approach is being developed with the local WaSC.</p> <p>The WaSC is currently developing the baseline level of flood risk to quantify the amount of properties at risk, and subsequently designing a solution which can be implemented. The City Council have been successful in bidding for external funding for approx. £920k in total, made up of Flood Defence Grant in Aid and Local Levy, to contribute to the partnership scheme. In order to draw down the remaining funding of approx. 880k an Outline Business Case will need to be developed incorporating Environment Agency compliant modelling to support the preferred solution designed by the WaSC. The initial gift of up to 40k will be utilised by the WaSC to enhance their current modelling to ensure it is Environment Agency compliant and investigate higher return period flood events in excess of the design capacity of sewers.</p>

Other Options Considered: **Option 1 - Do Nothing:** This option involves walking away from the area and the issues. This option has been discounted due to the risk of flooding to people and property.

Option 2 - continue with the maintenance regime for the area with no further investigation or action regarding the flooding issues. This option has been discounted as properties remain at risk of flooding.

Option 3 - undertake a flood study in isolation: This option involves undertaking a flood study to understand the baseline risk and potential flood risk management options. The flood study would focus on surface water flood risk only. This study will be used as a decision tool to decide whether to proceed to Outline Business Case. This option has been discounted due to the integrated nature of flooding and the knowledge that sewers in this area are under capacity.

Background Papers: None.

Published Works: Local Flood Risk Management Strategy.

Affected Wards: Mapperley

Colleague / Councillor Interests: None.

Dispensation from Financial Regulations: Yes

Consultations: Date: 13/06/2017
Ward Councillors: Rosemary Healy, Leslie Ayoola, Chris Tansley
Emailed all Ward Councillors on 13/06/2017. No reply received to date.

Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.

Crime and Disorder Implications: There are no crime or and disorder implications in the proposals. This decision relates exclusively to awarding funding to develop an integrated model.

Equality: EIA not required. Reasons: The criteria for identifying this area is based on the existing level of flood risk.

Decision Type: Portfolio Holder

Subject to Call In: Yes

Call In Expiry date: 08/11/2017

Advice Sought: Legal, Finance, Procurement

Legal Advice: This report raises no significant legal issues. The contract value is below the applicable financial threshold for services set out in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Notwithstanding the low value a proportionate contract should be put in place with Severn Trent Water to ensure the City Council has the right to use the outputs from the services funded.

Advice provided by Andrew James (Team Leader Contracts and Commercial) on 11/09/2017.

Finance Advice: This decision requests approval to spend £0.040m to complete a study into how best to reduce the flooding risk in Mapperley Park. The cost of the study is 100% funded by the Environment Agency. Once the study has been completed the full costs and funding sources will be confirmed and a further DDM will be raised. Currently the indicative costs are £0.920m and the chief funding sources are the Flood Defence Grant in Aid (FDGiA) £0.820m and Local Levy £0.100m

The service will need to ensure the terms and condition of the grant are met including submitting claim forms.

Advice provided by Chanelle Poyser (Commercial Business Partner) on 19/07/2017.

Procurement Advice: If the dispensation from Contract Procedure Rules is approved, then there are no direct procurement implications to this decision. Should any further activity be necessary, the Procurement Team will assist the client to ensure that any procurement carried out is in accordance with Council policies and applicable regulations.

Advice provided by Jonathan Whitmarsh (Lead Procurement Officer) on 10/07/2017.

Signatures

Jane Urquhart (PH for Planning, Housing and Heritage)
SIGNED and Dated: 30/10/2017
David Bishop (Deputy CE, CD for Development and Growth)
SIGNED and Dated: 24/10/2017
Theresa Channell (Head of Corporate and Strategic Finance) - Dispensation from Financial Regulations
SIGNED and Dated: 23/10/2017
Chief Finance Officer's Comments: