

# Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Trent Bridge Structural Painting 2020</b>
<b>Total Value:</b>	<b>See exempt appendix (Type: Capital and Revenue)</b>
<b>Decision Being Taken:</b>	<b>1. Approval to go out to tender for specialist structural painting and ancillary works to Trent Bridge</b> <b>2. To delegate the authority to the Director of Commercial, Infrastructure and Energy to award the contract to the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the available funding.</b>

**Reasons for the Decision(s)** There is an essential requirement to award a contract for the provision of specialist structural painting and ancillary works for Trent Bridge.

It is intention that the anticipated spend will be jointly funded by the City Council, and Nottinghamshire County Council, under the established cross boundary bridges agreement.

This essential maintenance is required to prolong the life of the bridge, which is a Grade II listed structure, of which Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire County Council's are jointly responsible to maintain and protect from future deterioration.

Consultation has been carried out with relevant stakeholders, and the necessary consents and approvals obtained for the work to be carried out in 2020. These consultations dictates the timing and timescales of the works. The anticipated timescale for the whole of the structural painting and conservation work is 6 months.

Trent Bridge was repainted in 1987 and again in 2002. The inner faces of the parapets were subsequently repainted in 2015. Therefore in order to preserve the fabric of the structure, repainting the entire bridge is now required. Whilst a postponement of the work for a further year or two would not be catastrophic, deterioration would continue and therefore more work would be required to restore the corrosion protection system. Inevitably, if the work is delayed the work would cost more. In addition if the corrosion of critical elements continues unchecked, then there becomes a point at which the bridge is no longer capable of carrying highway traffic.

Further proposed works to the bridge for the replacement of the York-stone paving, temporary barriers and waterproofing work to prevent deterioration of the structure will be subject to further consideration and additional financial approval required.

**Other Options Considered:** Do nothing -rejected as this would result in Trent Bridge requiring more costly treatment in the future due to deterioration. This would result in the structure suffering from a premature failure and becoming an Health and Safety concern. Unacceptable to the joint highway authorities, given the listed status of the structure

Carryout the work in house - Rejected as this is a specialist process and skillset, this is not currently held within the NCC workforce.

**Background Papers:** None

**Published Works:** None

**Affected Wards:** Meadows

**Colleague / Councillor Interests:** None.

**Any Information Exempt from publication:** Yes

**Exempt Information:**

**Description of what is exempt:**

The anticipated value of the scheme, proposed financial arrangements, along with the details of the negotiations already carried out with stakeholders.

An appendix (or appendices) to this decision is exempt from publication under the following paragraph(s) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

**3 - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).**

The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information because it is commercially sensitive and, if disclosed, could result in reduced value for money for the Council. In addition disclosure could also prejudice negotiations already carried out between the Council and third party stakeholders related to the decision

**Documents exempt from publication:**

Trent Bridge exempt information annex 4 DCS (2).docx

**Consultations:**

Date: 19/09/2019

Ward Councillors: Michael Edwards, Nicola Heaton

None

Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.

**Crime and Disorder Implications:**

None

**Equality:**

EIA not required. Reasons: EIA is not required as the decision does not relate to a new or changing policy, service or function

**Social Value Considerations:**

The main contractor may want to procure specialist sub-contractors for part of the works, these may include; Scaffolding, cleansing, stonework pointing, cast-iron repairs, and gold leafing. These services would only be low value and therefore not effecting EU thresholds

**Relates to Council Property Assets:**

Yes

**Decision Type:**

Portfolio Holder

**Subject to Call In:** Yes

**Call In Expiry date:** 08/10/2019

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

**Legal Advice:**

The proposals in the report provide for approval to undertake a tender process to identify a provider to carry out specialist painting and other ancillary works to Trent Bridge.

As detailed with in the report, there are both structural and timing-restriction reasons which require the work to be carried during a very specific and limited period of time in 2020 and so commencing the tender process as soon as possible is necessary to meet these limitations.

The tender process will enable the Council to identify the costs of the works in order to agree the exact contribution from its neighbouring Authority. The award of the contract to the chosen provider will be dependent upon the nature and costs of the tenders received and a formal agreement to contribute will be necessary before the Council commits to a contract with the chosen provider.  
Advice provided by Dionne Claire Screamon (Solicitor) on 20/09/2019.

**Finance Advice:**

Following approval of this decision the capital programme will be amended accordingly with the funding being secured and applied as detailed in the exempt appendix.

As detailed in this decision the expenditure will require splitting between capital (i.e. prolonging / extending the life of the bridge) and revenue (cosmetic repairs). The funding envelope for this project contains an element of flexible resources which is able to be applied to both capital and revenue expenditure. The split between capital and revenue works will be identified once tender responses have been received.

Advice provided by Tom Straw (Senior Accountant - Capital Programmes) on 16/09/2019.

**Property Advice:**

The repainting of Trent Bridge forms part of a planned maintenance programme which will also incorporate the undertaking of various conservation works which are essential for the long-term preservation of this asset of architectural and historical significance. Advice provided by Bevis Mackie (Principal Surveyor - Property) on 12/08/2019. Advice provided by Bevis Robert Andrew Mackie (Estates Surveyor) on 23/09/2019.

**Procurement Advice:**

There are no significant concerns with the decision being sought. Procurement will support the client to undertake the procurement in accordance with Public procurement Regulations 2016. Advice provided by Sue Oliver (Category Manager - Procurement) on 02/08/2019.

**Signatures**

Adele Williams (Portfolio Holder for Adult Care & Local Transport)

SIGNED and Dated: 27/09/2019

<b>Andy Vaughan (Corporate Director Commercial and Operations)</b>
<b>SIGNED and Dated: 25/09/2019</b>