

Approval Form - Competition Financial Thresholds Exceptions



LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING
Procurements
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APPROVAL FORM FOR COMPETITION FINANCIAL THRESHOLDS EXCEPTIONS

Name: Susan Shepherd

Job Title: Commissioning and Project Manager

Email Address: Please make sure that this is correct Susan.Shepherd@havering.gov.uk

Contract Description: A brief description of the contract / spend, i.e: Title / Objective

Contract Value: £485,297.00

Contract Duration: Total length of contract 16 months.

Proposed Supplier: Havering Womens Aid

Invoice to: Michelle Brown 6th Floor Mercury House, Romford, RM1 3SL

Do you propose to contract on standard Council contract conditions? Yes

Applicable exception (please choose one) Best Interest of the Council

BACKGROUND AND DETAILS TO JUSTIFY EXCEPTION REQUEST

Outline the steps taken to demonstrate that this represents the best value that can be obtained in the circumstances (e.g. oral/written quotes attached to this form):-

Insert full details

A contract was awarded to Havering Women's Aid, to provide a floating support service to people affected by domestic violence and two accommodation based services for women fleeing domestic violence (women's refuges) in 2011 following a competitive tender process.

The contract was for a period of three years from 1st October 2011 with the option to extend by an additional period of up to two years by written notice.

An Equality Impact Assessment (2011) was carried out organised by Age, Disability, Gender, Sexual Orientation, Race and Religion.

The contract was extended from 1st October 2014 until 30th September 2015 and then from 1st October 2015 to 30th September 2016. To date, Havering Women's Aid are continuing to provide the provision and the Council are continuing to fund them. The lead for this service has changed a number of times recently and this has contributed to the current contract expiring. Through this Executive Decision we are looking to rectify this by putting an interim contract in place and setting out the plan to recommission the service.

The current annual contract value: £253,198.40, funded from Adult Social Care general fund.

Therefore the local authority seeks to :

- 1) To retrospectively authorise the expenditure on the current uncontracted domestic violence refuge and floating support service provision with Havering Women's Aid (HWA) covering the period from 1st October 2016.
- 2) To authorise a waiver of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules 8 and 9, to allow for the direct award of a contract to provide domestic violence refuge and floating support services for Havering residents for a maximum of 16 months commencing 1st May 2017, or as soon as possible thereafter, to 31st August 2018, to the current provider to allow sufficient time to complete a full review of the current service and to re-procure provision, if no other bidders respond to the Council's PIN notice.
- 3) To note that the Joint Commissioning Unit publish a PIN notice to inform the market of intention to directly award a contract to Havering Womens Aid, and thereafter to publish a VEAT notice, should no other bidders respond to the PIN notice, to provide the Council with additional protections against a legal challenge of the direct award contract to Havering Womens Aid.

Total value for the interim contract and backdated payment would be up to £485,297.00. This would be funded through the existing Adult Social Care budget.

We are seeking to waive procurement rules using the criteria below

Power of an individual Cabinet member under CPR 14 to waive a provision of the CPRs by using an Executive Decision.

14.6.6 Best Interests of the Council - where it is in the best interests of the Council or the Borough for a provision in these Rules to be waived to enable a contract procurement to be rapidly progressed while still

Complying with European procurement rules.

Name	Susan Shepherd
Signed	By the person named above
Service	Joint Commissioning
Date	25 May 2017

APPROVAL BY MEMBER OF CMT or Assistant Director

Please tick as appropriate



I approve



I do not approve the proposed exception to financial thresholds



I require further information

Name

BARBARA NICHOLLS

Service

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Signed

B. Nicholls

Date

25/5/17

SENT TO SHARED SERVICES

Name

Date Sent to Shared Services

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