

LIGHTING CONTRACT EXTENSION

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Summary: This report requests that Members waive Contract Standing Order 5 to add the approved budget for testing and renewing the Christmas lighting supports this year as an extension to the combined Footway and Christmas Lighting contract.

Recommendation: That Executive agrees to waive Contract Standing Order 5 to add the £20,000 non-recurring budget for work to the Christmas lighting supports to the new Footway and Christmas Lighting contract for this year under Contract Standing Order 11.4.
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Impact on delivering Corporate Plan: None.

Impact on other statutory objectives (e.g. crime & disorder, LA21): None

Financial and human resource implications: From approved budgets using existing contractor.

Project & Risk Management: Potential hazards to the public or contractors during the execution of the contract will be subjected to risk assessment.

Key Decision Status

- **Financial:** None
- **Ward:** None

Other Ward Implications: None

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A budget of £20,000 was approved for this financial year to enable essential testing and replacement of brackets and support wires for the Council's Christmas lighting equipment throughout the borough.
- 1.2 The Council's new Footway and Christmas Lighting contract has a value of £194,857.50 (£64,952.50 per annum for 3 years with a 2 year extension option). The work to the support system at £20,000 would increase the contract value by less than 11%.
- 1.3 The successful tenderer for the new lighting contract was Amey Infrastructure Services. As most of the major elements of the work entailed in renewing the Christmas lights support structure are already priced in the Schedule of Rates of the lighting contract it would be a

natural extension of that contract. It would also avoid any possible conflict regarding liabilities if the same contractor was responsible for both the testing and renewal of the support system, then for the maintenance of it.

2. CONCLUSIONS

- 2.1 Under Contract Standing Order 11.4 this work can be considered an extension to the existing contract because it does not increase the contract value by more than £25,000 or 25%. It also meets the requirements set out in Contract standing Order 11.1.1 to 11.1.3 in that it is a true extension to the lighting contract, competitive prices have already been obtained for most elements of the work, and having one contractor with overall responsibility for work on the support system represents Best Value for the Council.
- 2.2 With Executive approval to waive Contract Standing Order 5 this work will be added as an extension to the new lighting contract.

List of Appendices

List of Background Documents:

List of Consultees:

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