

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Mr David Brazier, Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

DECISION NO:

14/00044

For publication**Subject:**

Award of Organic Waste Processing contracts.

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport for the Council, I agree for Kent County Council to award contracts to the preferred tenderers following a procurement process for the provision of Organic Waste (garden waste) processing for household waste arising in Kent.

- a) Green waste arising in the East Kent area proposed contract award to Countrystyle Recycling Limited with value of £1,769,000* for initial six year term
- b) Green waste arising in the Mid Kent area proposed contract award to New Earth Solutions Group Limited with value of £3,176,000* for initial six year term
- c) Green waste arising in the West Kent area proposed contract award to New Earth Solutions Group Limited with value of £2,198,000* for initial six year term

** Please note contract values are dependent upon tonnage of waste arising and are indicative.*

Reason(s) for decision:

These are contracts to supply waste services to the Enterprise and Environment Directorate (known as Growth, Environment and Transport Directorate from April 2014). The contracts will provide organic waste processing capability for garden waste arising from district council kerbside collections and garden waste deposited at Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs). These contracts ensure continuity for the provision of green waste processing outlets for approximately 33,000 tonnes of waste per annum and offer an indicative financial saving of 6% for the initial contract term.

An exemplary procurement process has been undertaken which is transparent and accountable and is supported by both budget allocation and stated in 2012-13 and 2013-14 Waste Management Business Plans.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

A competitive tendering process has been conducted through the Kent Business Portal.

Key consultee groups (including district councils, Corporate Procurement, Legal, Finance, H&S, Corporate Director, Waste officers) have been engaged with to inform contract requirements and tender and evaluation processes, to ensure robust procurement and inform the Cabinet Member's decision to approve the procurement outcome.

The decision has been taken using the statutory procedures for urgency and as such agreement has been sought from the Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee and the Corporate Director for Enterprise and Environment that the decision cannot reasonably be deferred in order to adhere to the normal statutory procedure. In addition the Group Spokespeople for Scrutiny Committee and the Chairman and Group spokespeople for the EHW Cabinet Committee have been informed and comments were requested. No comments were received during this consultation period.

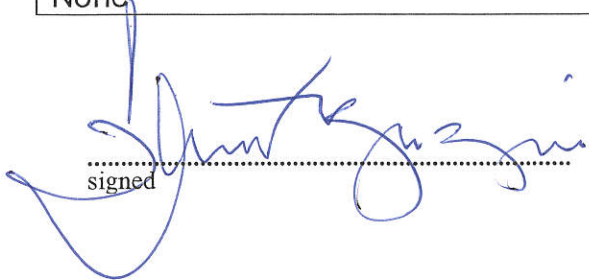
Cabinet Committee will be provided with an update report to the 24 April 2014 meeting.

Any alternatives considered:

A transparent and accountable procurement process has been undertaken.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None



signed

31.3.14

date