

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Susan Carey

Cabinet Member for Environment

DECISION NO:

20/00052

For publication

Key decision*

Yes –

Subject: Approval to extend Organic Waste Processing Contracts SC1273 (Lots 3, 4, & 5)

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment, I agree to extend the current Organic Waste Processing contracts for up to six years and provide authority to the Director of Highways, Waste and Transport the delegated authority to enter into necessary contractual arrangements to let the contracts

Reason(s) for decision:

There is an existing ROD, decision number 14/000/44 for the processing of Green Waste in Kent. There is no delegation to extend the contracts under the existing ROD, however, there exists the option to extend within the current contractual arrangements. The contracts have the option to extend the Initial Term in two phases: the first period of 48 months and the second period of 24 months.

The Contracts were awarded to:

- SS1273 (Lot 3) – Green Waste arising in East Kent - Countrystyle Recycling Limited.
- SS1273 (Lot 4) – Green Waste arising in Mid Kent - New Earth Solutions (Kent) Limited.
- SS1273 (Lot 5) – Green waste arising in West Kent - New Earth Solutions (Kent) Limited.

The contracts are performing satisfactorily and therefore can be extended under the current contractual arrangements.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

Public consultation was not required as there is no impact on the end user.

Cabinet Committee Members were engaged informally via email in advance of this proposed decision being published and all comments received were duly considered by the Cabinet Member as part of their decision-making.

Any alternatives considered:

1. Do nothing – the current contracts will elapse with an unofficial arrangement in place with the current provider/s.
2. Extend the existing arrangements under the current contracts' terms and conditions, with the additional processing of Green Waste collected from the kerbside by the Waste Collection Authorities in East Kent from 16 January 2021

The 2nd option is possible as the existing contracts are satisfactory and performing well. A full procurement is not required as there is already the option to extend; both contracts are commercially competitive and have been through a competitive tendering process at the time of the initial decision.

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

None

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Signed

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date

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