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Award of Contract for East Beach Outfall Replacement

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2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the contract for the East Beach outfall replacement be awarded to Contractor B, the details of which are set out in the exempt appendix to the agenda report.
- 2.2 That a variation to the capital programme for 2018-2019 be approved by including the replacement of East Beach surface water outfall at a cost of £149,000.
- 2.3 That the cost of replacing this asset in future years be added to the Asset Replacement Programme.
- 2.4 That the proposed expenditure be funded from Community Infrastructure Levy funds of £100,000 already approved in the Infrastructure Business Plan 2018-2019 and the balance be funded from revenue resources to the extent that it is not otherwise met from external grant from Southern Water.
- 2.5 That authority be delegated to the Divisional Manager for Environmental Protection to approve the funding conditions and the detailed spend of any grant funding awarded by Southern Water for the project.

3. Background

- 3.1 The existing outfall at East Beach in Selsey conveys surface water drainage and combined sewer overflows (CSO) to sea. The pipe and support structure are reaching the end of their serviceable life, requiring regular repairs, with failure as a result of full blockages experienced on a number of occasions.
- 3.2 The surface water outfall was originally constructed by the local authority in the 1940s, replacing an existing outfall which had failed. It is a culverted ordinary watercourse which means there is a legal requirement on the landowner (the District Council) to maintain the free flow of water at all times. Failure to do so could leave the Council liable for damage from any subsequent flooding. There are also increased health and safety risks in respect of the failing asset.

- 3.3 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Infrastructure Business Plan (IBP) for 2018-2019, approved by Council on 6 March 2018 includes an allocation of £100,000 of CIL funding for this project.
- 3.4 A replacement outfall has been designed by Royal Haskoning DHV Consulting Engineers and is based on a like-for-like replacement.
- 3.5 The works were tendered under the Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership Minor Works Framework to which the Council is a signatory. The process involved a “mini bid” whereby all previously approved contractors from a select list were invited to submit a tender for the proposed works.
- 3.6 Three contractors approved for minor works under the Framework submitted qualifying tenders. Each tender application was scored against the criteria specified in the Framework and scoring was split 75:25 between price and quality.
- 3.7 The results of the tender assessment are set out in the table below with further details of the assessment, including the tendered prices included in the confidential Part 2 exempt appendix. It is recommended that the Cabinet awards the East Beach outfall replacement contract to Contractor B.

Contractor A	Contractor B	Contractor C
84 Points	91 Points	77 Points

4. Outcomes to be Achieved

- 4.1 A functioning outfall to facilitate surface water drainage in Selsey, mitigate surface water flood risk and to achieve compliance with legal obligations.
- 4.2 Once constructed the asset will be inspected by the Council on a quarterly basis within an existing inspection programme to ensure continued satisfactory operation.

5. Proposal

- 5.1 The replacement of the failing seaward section of the surface water outfall at East Beach, Selsey.
- 5.2 Once constructed, Selsey will benefit from a functioning outfall, facilitating drainage of surface water and combined sewer overflows from existing and new developed areas, whilst also reducing the occurrence and impact of flooding from surface water.
- 5.3 If approved, construction is scheduled to commence in mid-September 2018 and will last for approximately eight weeks.

6. Alternatives Considered

- 6.1 Do Nothing – The outfall pipe/structure is likely to fail in the short term and the associated flood risk to property and the additional costs of emergency works / recovery should full failure occur would be significant.
- 6.2 Patch Repair – This has been the approach for the past ten years. The outfall’s condition has continued to deteriorate and this is not considered a viable or reliable

approach going forward.

7. Resource and Legal Implications

- 7.1 Finance: the CIL IBP approved by Council on 6 March 2018, approved £100,000 of CIL funding for the project in 2018-2019. The balance of the cost of the project (approximately £49,000) can be met from existing revenue budgets available for ordinary watercourse infrastructure. However, negotiations are on-going with Southern Water in relation to a possible contribution in recognition of the asset being used for storm overflow, which if received will reduce the revenue spend from the Council.
- 7.2 The outfall will need to be incorporated into the asset replacement programme which can be addressed as part of the next budget setting process.
- 7.3 Staffing implications: Appropriate Council staff will supervise the construction phase. Management of the project can be met from within existing staffing budgets.

8. Consultation

- 8.1 None.

9. Community Impact and Corporate Risks

- 9.1 Given the objectives of the project, it is expected to have a positive community impact. There is not considered to be any significant corporate risk for the Council unless the project is not approved.
- 9.2 Timely intervention to carry out repairs reinforces the community's sense of security and wellbeing.

10. Other Implications

	Yes	No
Crime and Disorder		X
Climate Change and Biodiversity		X
Human Rights and Equality Impact		X
Safeguarding and Early Help		X
General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)		X
Other		X

11. Appendices

- 11.1 Tender Assessment

12. Background Papers

- 12.1 None