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Award of Contract for Beach Management Plan Works 2016-2017

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2. Recommendation

- 2.1. That the contract for shingle recharge at Danefield Road Selsey is awarded to the contractor identified in the confidential appendix to this report.**

3. Background

- 3.1. Chichester District Council (CDC) was successful in securing £1.25m of Flood Defence Grant in Aid (FDGIA) in July 2016 for phase two of the Selsey and Wittering Beach Management Plan (BMP). The plan covers the period from 2016-2021.
- 3.2. The schedule of works was approved by Cabinet on 8 February 2016.
- 3.3. Items 1 and 4 of the schedule of works have been combined to provide economy of scale and competitive tenders invited using an approved framework for coastal works. This is for the delivery and placement of 11,000 tonnes of coarse shingle in the Danefield Road area of Selsey beach.
- 3.4. Details of all tenders received are included in the Part II appendix to this report.
- 3.5. The price of the awarded tender is comparable to previous and similar contracts for shingle recharge.
- 3.6. Award of the contract must be determined by the Cabinet because the contract value exceeds £175,000.

4. Outcomes to be Achieved

- 4.1. A substantial improvement to the standard of protection offered to the coastal community of Selsey will be achieved by the works. The Pagham to East Head Coastal Defence Strategy of 2008 clearly identifies the frontage policy as Hold the Line for the next 100 years, as does the North Solent Shoreline Management Plan of 2010. In order to achieve this aim CDC must invest in defences throughout that period and an important part of that is to maintain beach levels.

5. Proposal

5.1. That the contract for shingle recharge at Danefield Road, Selsey in 2017 is awarded to the Contractor identified in the Part II appendix to this report, Contractor Details and Submitted Tender Price

5.2. That works shall start on 3 January 2017 and be completed by 31 March 2017.

6. Resource and Legal Implications

6.1. The FDGIA grant from the Environment Agency (EA) will cover the full expenditure

6.2. Suitably qualified staff from CDC will supervise the works, the costs of which are recoverable from the grant.

6.3. There are no direct property implications but the project will help maintain CDC assets by reducing erosion and flooding risk.

7. Consultation

7.1. In preparing the BMP, officers liaised closely with the EA and Natural England who are supportive of the approach. Legal and Procurement Services have also been materially involved in the award of the contract.

8. Community Impact and Corporate Risks

8.1. Delivery of the scheme will help sustain the standard of defence on our open coast frontages that are seen as being most at risk. The improved defences will give greater security to coastal communities and enable them to face the future with greater confidence.

8.2. The risk that the proposal will not deliver the desired outcomes as set out in paragraph 4 is significant given that we are dealing with the unpredictable forces of nature. There can be no guarantee of erosion prevention but the beach management approach offers the best opportunity to improve coastal defences within resources.

9. Other Implications

	Yes	No
Crime and Disorder		X
Climate Change The proposed works will provide improved protection from the anticipated increases in sea level predicted from climate change.	X	
Human Rights and Equality Impact		X
Safeguarding		X

10. Appendix

10.1. Contractor Details and Submitted Tender Price – Part II and so exempt from the public domain

11. Background Papers

11.1. None