

Ref:

Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Rick Everitt

Relevant Portfolio:

Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy and Transformation

Date of Decision:

26 September 2024

Subject:

Security Contract

Key Decision

Yes

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

Officers have permission to undertake the procurement and award of a contract for security at the Port of Ramsgate, the Ramsgate Royal Harbour and other key security requirements at TDC. The estimated value of all lots within the contract will be £436k per year over a 5 year contract (3 years with potential for 2 year extension), making a total estimated contract value of £2.180m.

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed the following:

1. The key decision to award a contract with a value in excess of £250k and thought to be approximately £2.18million over a five years period, to supply security at the Port of Ramsgate, Ramsgate Royal Harbour and other key security requirements at TDC, following a procurement exercise;
2. That the Director of Environment, having sought advice from legal services, agree the final terms of any contract award and sign the contract with the successful bidder.

Reasons for decision:

An Executive Decision is required because the project involves incurring expenditure anticipated to be £250,000 or above.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

The Council could consider bringing security arrangements in house. However, this poses a larger risk to the Council due to the specialist nature of the work and required standards being directly managed by the Council. It is unlikely that the Council could deliver this service at the same cost as more specialist operators.

The Council could consider reducing the level of security. However, the level of security at the Port and Harbour is already at the lowest level appropriate to the security threat presented. If the Council were to reduce the level of security this would leave times

when the Port and Harbour is not being covered by a guard increasing the risk of theft and anti-social behaviour.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

Author of Officer report:

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Background papers

Cabinet Report Sep24 - Security Contract - Google Docs
EqualityImpactAssessmentSecurityContract

Statement if decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in:

None

Last date for call in: 4 October 2024