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REPORT TO: Members' Library Service

MEETING DATE:

BY: Head of Infrastructure

SUBJECT: Proposed Movable Pool Floor Replacement at Musselburgh & North Berwick Sports Centres

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To note the decision to award the contract for the Proposed Movable Pool Floor Replacement at Musselburgh & North Berwick Sports Centres to Messrs Variopool BV, Oudkarspel, Netherlands.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

Cabinet is asked to note the decision of the Head of Infrastructure in consultation with the Head of Council Resources to accept Messrs Variopool BV's tender amounting to £515,000.00 after checking and negotiation and noting that it is open for consideration until 9 November 2020 for the Proposed Movable Pool Floor Replacement at Musselburgh & North Berwick Sports Centres.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The existing movable pool floors were installed at Musselburgh and North Berwick when the sport centres were built in 1995. The floors have both reached the end of their effective lives and require regular breakdown / reactive maintenance expenditure to keep them operating efficiently after 25 years' service.

The movable floors were originally installed by Dutch company Variopool BV and the associated surrounding fixtures, equipment and plant space were designed and constructed to accommodate Variopool's floors. In order to replace the movable floors with minimum disruption and alteration to the surrounding plant rooms the Head of Infrastructure and Corporate Procurement's Commercial Programme Manager were approached to consider the option of single sourcing the original supplier, Variopool BV, to design and install the replacement pool floors. Their approval was given and a formal Single Source Form was prepared and lodged with Corporate

Procurement. The form cited the following criteria as grounds for single source appointment of Variopool BV

- Technical – Original floor designs were bespoke to the sport centres when constructed in 1995. Like for like replacement of the floors is preferable and is considered to be the least disruptive to the Sport Centres.
- Urgency – Works are required to be completed within financial year 2020/21
- Original Supplier – Variopool are still operating in the UK and their initial estimate for replacement was considered to be fair and reasonable

A Capital Bid Application for the appropriate funds was therefore prepared and submitted to Corporate Finance for consideration. Funds were approved and an allowance was made in the Council’s 5 Year General Capital Plan in financial year 2020/21

The Council therefore intend to appoint Variopool BV, through a single source negotiated tender procurement process, to carry out the design and installation of the replacement swimming pool floors.

3.2 After preliminary discussions and negotiation with Variopool BV regarding the form of contract to be adopted for the works, it was agreed that the Scottish Building Contract Committee’s standard Design & Build contract, would govern the works. Tender documents were issued to Variopool BV on this basis and their formal offer was duly received.

The sole single sourced tender was subjected to detail checks and negotiations relating to the contractor’s proposed scope of works and obligations. The tender amount is set out below

Ref	Contractor	Tender Amount Before Checking	Tender Amount After Checking	Sole Checked Tender Amount
1	Variopool BV	515,000.00	515,000.00	<u>515,000.00</u>

3.3 As indicated at 3.2 Messrs Variopool BV’s tender amounting to £515,000.00 after detailed checking is the only offer submitted. The tender submission is compliant and the tender cost deemed to be fair and reasonable by the Council’s Quantity Surveyor

3.4 Messrs Variopool BV have indicated that they will not subcontract any of the works to the pool floors.

3.5 The contract is prepared on a firm price basis in terms of the SBCC Standard Building Contract Design and Build for use in Scotland (DB/Scot 2011 Edition) incorporating Amendment 1 (March 2015) and the Contractor has undertaken to complete the works before the 20 December 2020.

4 COMMUNITY BENEFITS IN PROCUREMENT

4.1 As part of the contract negotiations it was agreed that Community Benefit opportunities would be limited due to the contractor being based overseas and that CBIP would not apply to this contract.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None

6 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy.

7 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Finance – Together with the addition of External Consultant's Professional Costs and Expenses, along with other associated costs, the total project expenditure will not exceed £580,000.00 and can be itemised as follows

Variopool Tender	£515,000.00
External Professional Fees (CDM)	£4,015.00
ELC Disposal Costs and H&S Items (Estimate)	£10,000.00
ELC Enabling Works – Pool drainage, Recommissioning, Access Arrangements (Estimate)	£50,985.00
Total Anticipated Expenditure	<u>£580,000.00</u>

This expenditure will be contained within the Council's Capital Plan allowance of £580,000.00 for the Replacement of Movable Pool Floors to Sports Centres in financial year 2020/21

The full expenditure (£580,000.00) will be in this financial year (2020/21)

7.2 Personnel - None

7.3 Other - None

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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