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REPORT TO: MEMBERS' LIBRARY SERVICE

MEETING DATE: 16 August 2024

BY: Executive Director for Place

SUBJECT: Proposed Grass Rugby Pitches, Wallyford, East Lothian

1 PURPOSE

To note the decision to award the contract for the construction of 2 Nr natural grass rugby pitches and 1Nr long jump pit complete with a grass runway on the land north of Rosehill High School and adjacent to Strawberry Corner, East Lothian to SportsMasters UK Ltd, Penicuik.

2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 Members are asked to note the decision of the Head of Infrastructure in consultation with the Head of Finance to accept SportsMasters UK Ltd.'s tender for the proposed new rugby pitches & long jump at WLC / Strawberry Corner amounting to £402,670.18 after checking, correcting and amendment and noting that it is open for consideration until 28 August 2024.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council is required to provide suitable community sports pitches / facilities for schools and new housing developments. The site noted above is located adjacent to the new Rosehill High School and a number of new housing developments. The Council has identified the need for new rugby pitches in this area of new development to encourage and grow the sport both in the new school and in the growing community.
- 3.2 Following consultation with the Council's Corporate Procurement Team tender documentation was issued to four specialist contractors via the Public Contract Scotland Quick Quotes facility. Only one of the invited contractors submitted an offer, one contractor declined to tender and the remaining 2 failed to return a tender. The following offer was received:

Ref	Contractor	Tender Amount Before Checking	Amount After	Lowest Checked Tender Amount
	SportsMasters UK Ltd, Penicuik	£490,904.08	£517,129.28	£517,129.28

- 3.3 There were some omissions and arithmetical errors in the original submission which resulted in an increase of £26,225.20 in the tender price.
- 3.4 As indicated at 3.2 SportsMasters UK Ltd.'s tender amounting to £517,129.28 after detailed checking, correction and amendment is the only offer submitted.
- 3.5 The Contract is prepared on a firm price basis in terms of the Scottish Building Contract Design & Build Contract for Use in Scotland 2011 Edition (DB/Scot) incorporating Amendment 1 as issued by the Scottish Building Contract Committee and the Contractor has undertaken to complete the main works within 14 weeks from the date of commencement with return visits over the first year to complete maintenance operations as required.

4 COMMUNITY BENEFITS IN PROCUREMENT (CBIP)

4.1 SportsMasters UK Ltd has undertaken to comply with the contract requirements governing the contractor's community benefits responsibility, and The Council's Community Benefits Co-ordinator will contact the contractor to agree a suitable level of CBIP for this contract.

5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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

6 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None.

7 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Financial - as the submission was over budget a value engineering exercise was undertaken with the client, Housing Development and the contractor resulting in the decision to remove most of the fencing and gates and replace them with additional landscaping to form a screen between the proposed new housing development and the pitches. This resulted in a saving of £115,509.10.

- 7.2 Late information from Scottish Water regarding the alterations of 3 manholes located within the boundary of the pitches resulted in additional work being necessary at a cost of £1,050.00.
- 7.3 The total project expenditure to the Council will not exceed £406,145.18 as follows:

Category	Estimated Costs (£)
SportsMasters UK Ltd.'s Tender	£402,670.18
External Consultant Fees, Surveys & Expenses	£3,475.00
Total Expenditure	£406,145.18

2024/25 - £396,078.43

2025/26 - £10,066.75

The total expenditure will be contained within the remaining capital budget provision for Wallyford Learning Campus 2024/25 and 2025/26.

- 7.4 Personnel None.
- 7.5 Other None.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.

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