

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Report to	Executive Committee
Date	10th June 2013
Subject	Purchase of Stock Condition Survey
Portfolio Holder(s)	
Lead Officer(s)	Shan Lloyd Williams, Head of Housing Services
Contact Officer	Dafydd J Rowlands, Technical Services Manager
Nature and reason for reporting	
To ensure compliance with Contract Procedure Rule 4.9.2.4.2 and obtain the prior approval of the Executive in order to join a Framework Agreement procured by Places for People Group Limited in relation to the Client Professional Services Hub .	

A – Introduction / Background / Issues
<p>1.0 Background</p> <p>During 2008 Housing Services engaged the professional services of a suitably qualified company to undertake a full condition survey of the public sector housing stock. The procurement process involved complying with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 and the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU).</p> <p>The primary purpose of the aforementioned survey was the identification of works required to each property in order to inform and implement a strategy for compliance with the Welsh Government’s Welsh Housing Quality Standard (WHQS) by 2012.</p> <p>Subsequently the Council entered into a Framework Agreement for the delivery of an Internal Investment Programme involving the supply , replacement and renewal of kitchens, bathrooms, electrical services, heating services and associated works. The programme reached a successful conclusion during December of 2012.</p> <p>The Public Sector Housing Investment Programme for 2013 – 14, approved by the Executive on the 18th March 2013, confirmed that Housing Services intend to commission a post WHQS sample Stock Condition Survey. The main objectives of this proposal are:</p>

- To seek independent verification that WHQS compliance has been achieved,
- To inform future investment planning priorities and financial requirements, and
- To update stock condition data prior to the adoption of asset management software, namely Keystone, during 2013. This forms part of the 2nd phase of installing a new Housing Management System.

PROPOSED PROCUREMENT PROCESS

Housing Services proposes to utilise an external Framework Agreement procured by the Places for People Group Ltd. The Framework Agreement established a Client Professional Services Hub which allows a range of social housing providers to join the Hub and access a series of services that social housing clients require. The professional services that can be delivered under the Framework Agreement include surveying services and investment planning.

B - Considerations

The Framework Agreement procured by People for Places Group Ltd was awarded to a single operator. This operator undertook our Stock Condition Survey during 2008.

By using an OJEU compliant Framework Agreement to procure a sample Stock Condition Survey, Housing Services will save time and money on procurement processes and secure continuity and consistency of professional services.

C – Implications and Impacts

1	Finance / Section 151	Consulted
2	Legal / Monitoring Officer	Comments made by Legal Services have been taken into account when drafting the report.
3	Human Resources	None identified
4	Property Services (see notes – separate document)	None identified
5	Information and Communications Technology (ICT)	None identified

C – Implications and Impacts		
6	Equality (see notes – seperate document)	None identified
7	Anti-poverty and Social (see notes – seperate document)	None identified
8	Communication (see notes – seperate document)	None identified
9	Consultation (see notes – seperate document)	Legal Services and Corporate Procurement have been consulted
10	Economic	None identified
11	Environmental (see notes – seperate document)	None identified
12	Crime and Disorder (see notes – seperate document)	None identified
13	Outcome Agreements	None identified

D - Summary
<p>Following full consultation with Legal Services I have been advised that the service has been procured in compliance with the Public Contract Regulations of 2006 and that as a contracting authority the Council is able to use this Framework Agreement for the Client Professional Services Hub and that we can engage the single operator by means of a call off contract.</p>

E - Recommendation

Pursuant to Contract Procedure Rule 4.9.2.4.2 the Executive is requested to approve the appointment of consultants to undertake a sample Stock Condition Survey via the People for Places Group Ltd Framework Agreement.
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Appendices:

Background papers
