

REPORT TO: Musselburgh Racing Associated Committee

MEETING DATE: 18 December 2018

BY: Depute Chief Executive – Resources & People Services

SUBJECT: Working Group - Update

1 PURPOSE

1.1 To update the Committee on the progress made by the Working Group.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Musselburgh Racing Associated Committee notes the position.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The intention was to have all tender documentation ready prior to Christmas which would enable us to have the tender launched pre-Christmas. However, given the time of year, work still to be done, and the resource that will need to be put in place by the bidders to ensure that this procurement attracts the best responses, I would propose that the tender is not released until the middle of January 2019.
- 3.2 On that basis, I would propose that the tender documents will be circulated to the Working Group for comment. This will also ensure that the Working Group have time to review and make any further comments on the tender documentation before it is issued.
- 3.3 I am also consulting with the BHA in connection with this proposal to ensure that this will not prejudice the award of licence on the basis of this being an understandable position and appears reasonable. I am of the view that this should not have a material effect on the proposed handover date (which may be October 2019) as the target date between the Flat and Jump season.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications relating to this report

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 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial The original proposed date of handover was September 19. It is envisaged that postponing the handover date to October will have no additional adverse effects on the operation of the racecourse.
- 6.2 Personnel the launching of the tender process will have no negative impact on employees.
- 6.3 Other None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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