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REPORT TO: Members' Library Service

MEETING DATE:

BY: Head of Infrastructure

SUBJECT: Foresters Park, Tranent – Car Park Improvements
Asbestos Remediation Work

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To note the decision to issue a contract variation order to MW Groundworks Ltd, amounting to £117,810 and to appoint Omega Asbestos Consulting as an independent site analyst amounting to £30,000.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To note the decision of the Head of Infrastructure in consultation with the Head of Communities and Partnerships to issue a contract variation order to MW Groundworks Ltd to undertake the notifiable non licensed asbestos remediation works at Foresters Park, Tranent to facilitate car park improvement works. Also, to appoint Omega Asbestos Consulting via the ELC/Scotland Excel framework contract as the UKAS accredited independent site analyst for the works.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Amey consulting were commissioned to undertake the design and produce tender documents for the car park improvement works. Tenders were returned by 10 contractors in August 2018. The contract was awarded to MW Groundworks Ltd on 12th December 2018 to the value of £313,199.36. The project is funded through Roads Capital Parking Improvements £200,000, Housing Revenue Account £100,000 and Area Partnership Roads influential spend £13,199.
- 3.2 MW Groundworks Ltd commenced work on 21st January 2019 and whilst undertaking excavation work on Tuesday 5th February 2019 an operative discovered what looked like asbestos and construction waste. The

excavation work was immediately stopped. The Council's Asbestos Manager (Grant Fraser) was contacted and attended the site on Wednesday 6th February 2019, confirming the presence of asbestos. The site is now designated as an asbestos work area and all work by MW Groundworks stopped. A reassurance air test was undertaken on Monday 11th February 2019 by Omega Asbestos Consulting with no problematic results encountered.

- 3.3 Asbestos and Chemical in soil testing was then commissioned and undertaken on Monday 18th February 2019. The complete site area as well as areas out with were tested. The results confirmed the presence of significant quantities of asbestos cement debris to a depth of 2 metres at the lowest site level. Asbestos containing rigid pitch fibre drainage pipe debris was also discovered.
- 3.4 Due to the asbestos pipe insulation and the mashed asbestos concrete debris identified the work is deemed to be notifiable non-licensed asbestos remediation work (NNLW), therefore, a licensed asbestos removal contractor is required to undertake this work.
- 3.5 An asbestos removal framework contract mini-competition to procure the services of a removal contractor and independent site analyst was published on Public Contracts Scotland on Monday 14th March 2019 with a return date of 19th March 2019. Four tenderers returned a price. The principal contractor MW Groundworks were also asked to provide rates utilising the same schedule of prices as the mini-comp. MW Groundworks submitted their prices in conjunction with Damada Asbestos Removals Ltd who are a licensed contractor. All submissions were analysed and MW Groundworks were deemed the most economically advantageous for the removal works and Omega Asbestos Consulting for the independent site analyst.
- 3.6 Work will recommence on Tuesday 7th May 2019

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None

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 initial budget of £313,199.63 is covered by Area Partnership Funding and Roads funding allocated to Area Partnership spend.

6.2 To cover the remediation costs the following funding package has been agreed from 2019-20 budgets:

HRA Capital – an additional contribution agreed by the HRA Board - £50,000

Area Partnership additional contribution - £50,000 (Fa'side Partnership Roads Capital Budget)

Roads additional contribution - £50,000 (Roads Capital Parking Budget)

It should be identified that the remediation costs are worst case scenario with any reduction achieved reducing the burden across the funding partners.

Category	Estimated Costs (£)
Construction Works – Car Park Improvements	£313,199.36
Asbestos remediation (within site extents only)	£117,810
Independent Site Analyst	£30,000
Total Project Costs	£461,009.36

6.3 Personnel - None

6.4 Other - None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 N/A

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