

ESSEX POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY
Essex County Fire & Rescue Service



Meeting	ECFRS Performance & Resources Board	Agenda Item	8
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Subject	Single Tender Actions		
Type of Report:	Information		

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members of P&R Board / Audit Committee have asked for visibility of the single tender actions for the year.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of any single tender actions.

SINGLE TENDOR ACTIONS (STA'S)

STA's for Dec 19 & Jan 20 are:

Supplier: Anamil Ltd
£7,575.00

Continuation of consultancy work relating to the Operational Training Strategy and to offer support for the Operational Training Steering and Project Board. The project end date is the end of 2020 and up until this time the consultant will be attending the quarterly and monthly meetings. The role he is fulfilling is part of the Operational Training Governance structure.

Supplier: Mark Smith Consultancy
£19,500.00

Mark was originally employed to produce a set piece of work to provide a plan for Wethersfield and review all BA facilities. Mark's contract was renewed to review RTC, STC and heavy duty rescue pump training.

Supplier: CDW Ltd

£14,784.54

Renewal of SAN support contract

The delay in implementing the replacement SAN device has resulted in the need to renew the support on the current SAN for a further 12 months.

The urgent nature of the renewal and the timing made it unrealistic to seek other quotes.

Supplier: Mr K P Eyre

£28,900.00

Training for technical fire safety

Level 1 fire investigation courses for operational staff from 1 April 2020 to March 2023.

There is only one other know supplier (Gardiners Associates) who training will take approximately 4 days to deliver compared to our 1 day.

Gardiners also offer an online only introductory course which does not provide the opportunity to examine fire scenes.

Supplier: Page Tiger Ltd

£18,560.00

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Supplier: Balm & Davies

£140,000

Urgent works to the heating system at KPHQ. This is a complex system with the heating exchange plant using the pond on site. The Commissioner approved this STA along with the SLT.

OPTIONS AND ANALYSIS

Any single tender actions require completion of a new standard document which details the justification. This is reviewed and signed off in line with our purchasing limits.

Further to this ECFRS is widening the knowledge of procurement rules within the organisation with presentation workshops being delivered by the procurement team. The objective is to ensure that the business is compliant and understanding of the rules associated with procurement.

BENEFITS AND RISK IMPLICATIONS

The Authority is required to ensure compliance with Public Contract Regulations (2015) As part of risk mitigation the award of single tender actions is subject to independent Scrutiny by the Audit Committee

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

None

WORKFORCE ENGAGEMENT

ECFRS is actively engaging with the workforce to ensure that they have an understanding of the procurement regulations.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Potential risk of non-compliance and open to challenge from other suppliers.

HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable