

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member – Environment and Transport
Date:	11 September 2012
Title:	Procurement Approval: Real Time Passenger Information and Associated Systems
Reference:	4173
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That approval to procure be given for the following framework agreement, valued at over £1 million:

Real Time Passenger Information and Associated Systems of up to 4 years' duration with an estimated value of £4.5 million, of which approximately £3.5 million relates to Hampshire County Council.

- 1.2 That a ratio of 30% for price and 70% for quality is applied in tender evaluation of the items approved.
- 1.3 That, if variations to the items approved are required, these decisions will be taken by the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 The continued deployment of the County Council's Real Time Passenger Information System (RTPI) supports the County Council's corporate priority of 'Maximising Wellbeing' by improving the county's public transport network and making it easier for people to access employment, healthcare and education. An improved public transport system can support economic growth by providing a more efficient transport network, reducing traffic congestion and enabling sustainable development.
- 2.2 The County Council's current RTPI system is successfully providing high quality live bus arrival information in several areas of the county, most recently on the Eclipse BRT corridor. This decision will permit the system to

be extended extensively across south Hampshire as part of the LSTF programme as well as into other areas of Hampshire, in particular as part of major development areas.

- 2.3 The County Council's Contract Standing Orders (CSO 3) requires that *'The commencement of a procurement process for a Contract is subject to the prior approval of the relevant decision maker who has the authority to give such approval under the Constitution.'* Approval to procure for a framework agreement is required by the Executive Member where they have a value, or estimated value, in excess of £1 million.
- 2.4 The Framework agreement will be for up to 4 years allowing for the placing of orders as and when required and subject to available funding. This 'call-off' agreement will achieve cost savings, economies of scale and avoid repetitive procurement processes and in turn provide for more efficient and consistent standards across the county in line with the Corporate Procurement Strategy.
- 2.5 The framework will underline the County Council's commitment to moving and shaping a prospering Hampshire by supporting local bus services (keeping Hampshire moving), improving facilities for passengers (shaping Hampshire's future) and promoting sustainable transport options (A Prospering Hampshire).

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The Traffic Management Technology framework has been scoped with the Government Procurement Service but it has been concluded this framework does not offer provision for RTPI.
- 3.2. Extend the current framework, however this would exceed the advertised OJEU value and would be non-compliant.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None.
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

11 September 2012

**Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor M J Kendal**