

## ITEM No ...3.....

**REPORT TO:** FAIR WORK, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE  
COMMITTEE - 21 APRIL 2025

**REPORT ON:** SOURCING STRATEGY FOR THE PURCHASE OF BINS AND  
CONTAINERS

**REPORT BY:** EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

**REPORT NO:** 123-2025

### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present a summary of the sourcing strategy and seek approval to award the contract for the purchase of the annual quantity of wheeled bins, euro containers, skips and specialist containers for neighbourhood recycling points which are estimated to be required during 2025/26.

### **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 Approves the direct award purchase of the bins, containers and skips required through the Scotland Excel Framework (07-21) Recycle and Refuse Containers & Waste Disposal Equipment (09-23).

2.2 Delegates authority to the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to award contracts to the successful bidder.

### **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The Executive Director of Corporate Services advises that the costs of £150,000 can be met from allowances for Recycling and Waste Management in 2025/26 that are included within the Design a Modern Council section of the General Services Capital Plan 2025/30.

### **4.0 SOURCING STRATEGY SUMMARY**

4.1 This Sourcing Strategy seeks approval to procure all bins and containers via the frameworks from Scotland Excel - Recycle and Refuse Containers (07-21) & Waste Disposal Equipment (09-23).

4.2 Neighbourhood Services provides a domestic and commercial waste collection and recycling service including the operation of two recycling centres, to approximately 78,000 properties and 1,300 commercial customers within the city. New or replacement containers and skips are required to meet objectives set out in the Waste and Recycling Strategy Action Plan 2020 – 2025. These require to be issued:

- for new build properties;
- to new commercial customers;
- for householders and commercial customers who wish to participate in recycling schemes;
- where containers and skips have been damaged;
- for schools to allow participation in recycling schemes; and
- for new or replacement neighbourhood recycling points.

Where possible, refurbished containers will be provided, however new containers require to be added to the Council's stock to meet demands.

4.3 Direct delivery is made by suppliers to the Marchbanks Depot.

## 5.0 RISK ANALYSIS

- 5.1 There are four standard risks in any procurement and for public sector regulated procurements, a fifth is added, that of the procurement exercise itself breaching the public contracts regulations and leaving the Council open to a legal challenge.

Description of risk	Actions to be taken to manage risk
<b>Commercial Risk</b> – That either the price objectives are not achieved up front or there are other costs that arise during the contract and diminish the overall benefits.	Low Risk - the contract will be awarded from a Framework Agreement, through which all costs have been considered.
<b>Technical Risk</b> – This concerns the difficulty in being able to specify the desired outcome and on the market being unable to deliver to the specification.	Low Risk - the contract will be awarded through a compliant procedure.
<b>Performance Risk</b> – This concerns the ability of suppliers to perform consistently over the life of the contract to deliver the planned benefits.	Low Risk – a contract management process will be put in place with the use of Key Performance Indicators.
<b>Contractual Risk</b> – Being able to remedy the shortcomings in the contractor's performance without severely damaging the contract and about avoiding reliance on the contracted supplier as the contract develops.	Low Risk – Dundee City Council are contractually protected via the contract terms and conditions. The contractor shall be proactively managed during the term of the contract.
<b>Procurement Risk</b> – where a procurement is found unsound in law, through the public procurement rules.	Low Risk – this is a regulated contract.

## 6.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 This report has been subject to the pre-IIA screening tool and does not make any recommendations for change to strategy, policy, procedures, services or funding and so has not been subject to an integrated impact assessment. An appropriate senior manager has reviewed and agreed with this assessment.

## 7.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Council Leadership Team have been consulted on the preparation of this report and agree with its contents.

## 8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

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