

Appendix 1: Gloucester and Cherry Garden Procurement Options Appraisal

Background

It is proposed that Cherry Garden Special Primary School is rebuilt within the existing site of Gloucester Primary School, with an increase in numbers from 45 to 66 pupils, and a reduction in the accommodation at Gloucester to a 2FE school (420 mainstream + 50 nursery pupils). The project will include the development of the existing facilities at Gloucester Primary School.

On the 13th April 2010, the Local Authority Representative (Deputy Director of Children's Services) appointed the LEP to undertake Stage 0 work (initial design, survey and cost estimations) to enable the delivery of these works through the Local Education Partnership.

Options for progressing project

Procure design team and contractor – traditional OJEU	
Pros	Cons
Would bring a competitive price for all services	Significant delay as OJEU for all services and works required and alongside tender processes.
	Takes completion into next school year
Procure design and I	ouild provider – OJEU
Single point of responsibility for delivery.	Significant delay as OJEU for all services and works required and alongside tender processes.
Risk transfer possible.	Takes completion into part coheck year
Earlier cost certainty.	Takes completion into next school year
Procure design and build provider framework e.g. IESE	
Single point of responsibility for delivery.	Challenge of achieving competitive cost.
No OJEU required (but mini-tender)	Risk of completion into next school year
Early cost assurance and risk transfer.	
Procure 4 Futures	
Single point of responsibility for delivery.	Challenge of demonstrating value for money.

Confidence in outturn cost at initial appointment.	
Significant risk transfer.	
Performance management possible due to established partnership.	
No OJEU process required.	
Understanding of project and authority's requirements through feasibility work done to date.	

Recommendations

It is considered that the 4 Futures route offers the most certainty to the Authority moving forward in regard to cost and deliverability.

The framework D&B route is considered a viable alternative but the existing understanding of the Authority's requirements and the reduced procurement timescales are advantages of the 4 Futures approach and enable the delivery of the project to the shortest timescales of any procurement option.