

Item No:	Classification: OPEN	Date: July 2011	Meeting Name: Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Report Title:		Call-in: IDM - Procurement Strategy and Procurement award of Local Education Partnership to deliver design work for the Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre and adjacent residential building. Procurement Strategy for the appointment of the Local Education Partnership to construct the new Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre	
Ward(s) or Group affected:		Chaucer	
From:		Head of Overview & Scrutiny	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. On 30 June 2011 the cabinet member for Finance, Resources and Community Safety considered a report on the procurement strategy for the Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre and adjacent residential building
2. The cabinet member:
 - Approved the procurement strategy and award of contract to 4 Futures (Southwark's Local Education Partner) to undertake design services for the submission of the planning application for the Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre and adjacent residential building.
 - Approved the procurement strategy for the appointment of 4 Futures (Southwark's Local Education Partner) to undertake the construction of the Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre.
 - Noted that the final award of the contract for construction will be subject to a further procurement report for approval by Cabinet.
 - Noted the Value for Money (VfM) Protocol document will be adhered to ahead of any future award of construction contract.

REASONS FOR CALL-IN

3. On 7 July 2011 the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee - Councillor Cathy Bowman - and three members of the committee (Councillors Eckersley, Hubber and Noakes) requested a call-in of the decision on the following grounds:
 - Inadequate justification of value-for-money and compliance with the MTRS by virtue of it being a non-competitive contract award.
 - Lack of clarity re. relative cost/benefit analysis of multi-purpose sports hall v cafe provision. (England Squash & Raquetball projects build cost per squash court to be £40k and annual return to be circa £12k. Where are the projections - in terms of build costs and return - for a cafe and/or a creche?).
 - No analysis of impact of decision to jettison squash courts and sports hall on a key strategic aim of the Council's Sport and Physical Activity Strategy, namely "Improving access and choice for the whole population".

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4. The committee will consider the call-in request and in particular whether or not the decision might be contrary to the policy framework or not wholly in accordance with the budget.
5. If, having considered the decision and all relevant advice, the committee is still concerned about it then it may either:
 - a) refer it back to the decision making person or body for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of its concerns, or
 - b) refer the matter to council assembly if the decision is deemed to be outside the policy and budget framework.
6. If the committee does not refer the matter back to the decision making person or body, the decision shall take effect on the date of the scrutiny meeting.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held at	Contact
<p>IDM Procurement Strategy and Procurement award of Local Education Partnership to deliver design work for the Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre and adjacent residential building.</p> <p>Procurement Strategy for the appointment of the Local Education Partnership to construct the new Elephant and Castle Leisure Centre</p>	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2TZ	Bola Roberts Constitutional Team 020 7525 7232

APPENDICES

Audit Trail

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Officer Title	Comments Sought	Comments included
Communities, Law & Governance	No	-

Cabinet Member	No	-
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