Appendix A - Public realm procurement approach and tender evaluation recommendation.

The objectives for the procurement of public realm services agreed with Cabinet in October 2012 were:

- Initial capital investment / asset management goals to improve the quality of the highway network
- Revenue savings
- Demonstration of value for money, efficiency, and risk management
- Service quality outcomes and improved customer experience
- Local spend / support for local economy
- Volunteering, community engagement and increased social capital
- Local tailoring of service delivery locality teams
- Future flexibility in service delivery
- Customer service improvement end to end

The procurement process was designed to deliver these objectives with a great deal of emphasis being placed on the providers' ability to deliver up-front investment and their commitment to Herefordshire's economy, local communities, and public realm customers.

The process was developed in line with the European procurement rules. The competitive dialogue procedure was used to allow us to develop the solution with the bidders during the process. The result is a set of proposals that meet the Council's objectives and identify innovations that will deliver future efficiency improvements.

The 3 bidders were invited to submit a final tender as a result of the competitive dialogue procurement process outlined in Appendix B. The tender documents developed had contribution from the highways; procurement; sustainability; ICT and customer service teams plus external legal and specialist advisers.

The scores obtained by the 3 bidders were as follows and will be announced by the Cabinet Member for Major Contracts at the Cabinet Meeting:

	Bidder X	Bidder Y	Bidder Z
Score			
Percentage of Maximum Score			

The evaluation criteria for the final tender was as follows:

	Evaluation Aspect	Overall Score 750 Marks / % of Overall Score
	Methods to Ensure the Achievement of Contract Objectives	300 marks / 40.00%
B1	Highways Asset Investment Programme Management & Business Case	70
B1a	Highways Asset Investment (draft business case format) including summary programme of the timescale for sourcing the investment including carry out due diligence	05
B1b(i)	Strategic approach to ensure revenue cost reductions	15
B1b(ii)	Optimum predicted investment at the commencement of the investment programme	15
B1c(i)	Strategic options for sourcing the investment	15
B1c(ii)	Strategic options for payback with sample costings	15
B1c(iii)	How savings will be demonstrated in terms of mark-up on work and the cost of investment	05
B2	Street Lighting Investment Programme Delivery Commitments	25
B2a	Timescales for delivery including the predicted payback period	10
B2b	Predicted energy and carbon savings	10
B2c	Predicted maintenance savings & warranties on replacement columns and lanterns	05
В3	Locality Working (Lengthsman & Community Enablement) Delivery Commitments	30
ВЗа	Facilitation of Community Enablement	15
B3b	Support for the Lengthsman Scheme	15
B4	Economic Regeneration Delivery Commitments	40
B4a	Up-skilling delivery commitments	15
B4b	Initiatives to promote local development opportunities	15
B4c	Support of supply chain diversity	10
B5	Customer Services and ICT	30
B5a	Overview of your customer service systems approach	15
B5b	Information to be displayed and customer fault reporting channels	15

В6	Environmental Management Delivery Commitments	30
В6а	Carbon emission reduction	15
B6b	Waste minimisation, management, recycling and composting and water reduction	10
B6c	Biodiversity and climate change adaptation	05
В7	Efficiencies and Innovations Delivery Commitments	45
B7a(i)	Public Realm Efficiencies: techniques and equipment	15
B7a(ii)	Public Realm Efficiencies: systems and processes	15
B7b	Initiatives for cost reduction and income generation	15
B8	Open Book Accounting Transparency Assurances	30
B8a	Visibility of Disallowed Costs	05
B8b	Visibility of Sub contractor Costs	05
B8c	Reporting against Service Orders and in accordance with the Schedule of Cost Components for this Contract	15
B8d	Processes and procedures to ensure timely and accurate cost capture	05

	Method Statements	110 marks / 14.67%
	Executive Summary	Unmarked
C1.	Network Management	10
C2.	Highways Routine Maintenance	10
C3.	Emergency and Out of Hours Response	10
C4.	Highways Schemes and Improvements	10
C5.	Electrical Installations	10
C6.	Highways Drainage	10
C7.	Street Cleaning	10
C8.	Public Rights of Way	10
C9.	Water Management	10
C10.	Greenspaces, Parks, Verges and Trees	10
C11.	Mobilisation	10

	Pricing	265 marks / 35.33%
D.A.1	Local Management Overhead	
D.A.2	Winter Service Standby	
D.B.1	Highways Routine Maintenance	
D.B.2	Emergency and out of hours response	
D.B.3	Streetlighting routine maintenance	
D.B.4	Traffic signal routine maintenance	
D.B.5	Highways drainage routine maintenance	
D.B.6	Street cleansing	Please see below for
D.B.7	Highways verges	details of the Final Tender Price evaluation
D.B.8	PROW Services	methodology.
D.B.9.1	Capital Scheme 1	3,
D.B.9.2	Capital Scheme 2	
D.B.9.3	Capital Scheme 3	
D.B.9.4	Capital Scheme 4	
D.B.9.5	Capital Scheme 5	
D.B.9.6	Capital Scheme 6	
D.B.9.7	Capital Scheme 7	
D.B.9.8	Capital Scheme 8	

Deliverability 75 marks 10.00%

Deliverability is defined that the proposal is shown via the submission of supporting evidence to be realistic; credible and capable of satisfying the Contract Objectives and Requirements. The Contract must operate as a viable business for both the Employer and the Provider and the Council is looking to work with a Tenderer whose proposed solution is considered to be deliverable and credible. Accordingly, the Council will, (in addition to Tenderer's quality and pricing Responses) will consider the overall deliverability/credibility of each Tender applying the marking criteria.

Final Tender Price Evaluation Methodology

The lowest bid is used as the basis for all pricing scores with bids given a score based on their value relative to the lowest bid. This scoring mechanism is non-linear, with bids further away from the lowest bid getting increasingly low scores. This mechanism was used to encourage bids that deliver the council's savings objective through efficiency.

The lowest bid is awarded 100% for price i.e. 35.33% of the overall marks. The deduction in pricing score for each other bid is calculated according to a set of bands:

Band No	% by which the grand total of the tendered total of the Prices exceeds the lowest	Deduction for the relevant Band
1	Exceeds by ≤ 2.5%	1% reduction in scoring for each % excess
2	2.5% <exceeds 5.0%<="" by="" td="" ≤=""><td>2% reduction in scoring for each % excess</td></exceeds>	2% reduction in scoring for each % excess
3	5.0%< Exceeds by ≤ 10.0%	4% reduction in scoring for each % excess
4	Exceeds by > 10.0%	10% reduction in scoring for each % excess

Pricing estimates have been requested for:

- A fixed 'lump sum' price for local management overhead and winter maintenance standby.
- Target prices for 16 schemes, 8 of these schemes are for revenue services and 8 are capital schemes. These are representative of the services and schemes that the Council expects to commission during the contract.

The schemes are each given a weighting to reflect the overall likely annual mix of work and the weighted prices are added together to give the bidder's total 'price' for evaluation purposes.