DECISIONS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS

Decision title:	Appointment of ODS to provide services and works for the Housing Small Sites Project	
Decision date:	28 March 2024	
Source of delegation:	Cabinet, at its meeting on 24 January 2024 ('Brownfield Land Release Fund: Development of Small Sites for Affordable Housing'), resolved to:	
	2. Grant project approval to undertake the works on the basis of which BLRF 2 grant has been made available and for which budgetary provision is detailed below;	
	3. Recommend to Council the allocation of a £340,213 capital budget (which will be funded entirely by the BLRF2 grant) to carry out the demolition/ enabling works on each site as detailed within the BLRF2 application; and	
	4. Delegate authority to the Executive Director (Development) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing; the Head of Financial Services/S151 Officer; and the Head of Law and Governance/Monitoring Officer to enter into agreements and contracts to facilitate the works specified within the BLRF2 application, within the allocated capital budget.	
What decision was made?	To appoint ODS under Part 19.11 (d) of the Council's Constitution to provide the following services at £317,371.27 for the Housing Small Sites Project*:	
	 Providing site survey information at all sites as instructed Building Control matters Demolition works at 4 sites Decontamination/ remediation works Grubbing out foundations and site capping Fulfilling the role of Principal Contractor Site protection measures/ leaving sites safe & secure Other minor works necessary to fulfil the contract. 	

	The submitted offer was checked by an external Quantity Surveyor to assess the commercial price. *The Housing Small Sites Project encompasses the demolition/ clearance of the following 5 sites in advance of development: - A selection of garages at Blackbird Leys, Harebell Road, Pegasus Road & Underhill
	Circus - Two vacant bungalows at Leiden Road.
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Purpose:	The decision to appoint ODS to deliver the works listed provides support to deliver this stage of the project and access grant funding.
Reasons:	Grant funding from the Brownfield Land Release Fund has been awarded for 5 small sites to cover demolition and remediation works. OCC need to be in contract with ODS by 31 March to access this funding.
Decision made by:	Tom Bridgman, Executive Director (Development)
Other options considered:	A more standard procurement process via an open tender or framework could have been adopted. However, this was rejected due to time constraints in the context of a tight funding deadline and in consideration of ODS's track record on small sites and a commercially acceptable price offer.
Documents considered:	N/A
Key or Not Key:	Not Key
Wards significantly affected:	None
Declared conflict of interest:	None
This form was completed by: Name & title: Date:	Gary Meeds Regeneration Project Manager 22 March 2024

Approval checklist

Approver	Name and job title	Date
	Tom Bridgman, Head of Regeneration and Economy	
Decision maker		28 March 2024

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Senior officer	Carolyn Ploszynski, Head of Regeneration & Economy	28 March 2024
Head of Financial Services	Nigel Kennedy, Head of Financial Services	27 March 2024
Head of Law and Governance	Emma Jackman, Head of Law & Governance	26 March 2024
Cabinet Member	Councillor Linda Smith, Cabinet Member for Housing Councillor Ed Turner, Deputy Leader (Statutory), and Cabinet Member for Finance and Asset Management	28 March 2024 28 March 2024