

BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

OFFICER DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Parks & Grounds Plant Vehicles and Machinery – 24th November 2016

Background to the Decision

On 27th October 2016 Policy & Resources Committee considered future options for fleet vehicles since the truck lease for one of the current vehicles expired on 9th November 2016. Quotations were obtained from various leasing companies for vehicle models that would be suitable for the work and use that is required to maintain the Town Council parks and open spaces.

While undertaking further investigations it was noted that there were two types of the Ford Ranger Diesel Pickup available, a Super and a Regular. Therefore Policy & Resources Committee agreed to accept the quotation from the preferred supplier, Lex Autolease, while delegating authority to the Executive Officer & Town Clerk to choose between the two different vehicles in the range (Super or Regular).

Authority for Decision

Policy & Resources Committee on 27th October 2016 resolved:

1. that one of the quotations from Lex Autolease for the lease of a new vehicle be accepted up to a sum of £2891.28 and that the Executive Officer & Town Clerk be given delegated powers to assess the individual specifications of each vehicle and make arrangements for a 5 year lease on the vehicle most suitable for the Town Council's requirements; and
2. that the lease on the current vehicle through Lex Autolease be extended until such time as a new vehicle became available.

(Minute 54 2016/2017).

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

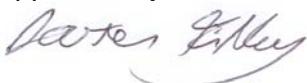
Consultation was undertaken with the service manager and parks and grounds staff between the two alternative Ford Ranger Diesel Pickups.

The Regular Pickup had a smaller cab and therefore limited space to store tools meaning these would need to be placed in the back of the pickup increasing the risk of theft when the vehicle was unattended. By contrast the Super had additional space in the cab for a secure storage of tools.

Decision

1. That a Ford Ranger Diesel Pickup Super XL 2.2 TDci vehicle be acquired; and
2. that the quotation for a five year lease from Lex Autolease at annual cost of £2,503.08 be accepted.

Approved By:



Darren Tilley

Date: 24th November 2016

Reasons for Decision

1. The Ford Ranger Diesel Pick up Super XL 2.2 TDCi model specification better met the needs of the service over that of the Regular model.
2. The lease agreement for the Ford Ranger Diesel Pick up Super XL 2.2 TDCi provided better value, saving £1941 over the 5 year term compared to the Regular model.

List of Background Documents

- Quotations
- Correspondence concerning current lease and extension.

NOTE:

CRIME & DISORDER ACT 1998 (SECTION 17) – The Council has an obligation to consider Crime & Disorder implications of all its activities and to do all that it can to prevent Crime and Disorder in its area.

EQUALITIES ACT 2010

Braunstone Town Council has a duty in carrying out its functions to have due regard to:-

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
- advance equality of opportunity between different groups; and;
- foster good relations between different groups

To ensure that no person receives less favourable treatment on the basis of race, disability, sex, gender re-assignment, sexual orientation, age, religion or belief, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity.

These issues were considered in connection with each of the above decisions. Unless otherwise stated under each item of this report, there were no implications.