

BEREAVEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE BRIEFING PAPER PART I



Kier Construction Ltd and our appointed designers Aecom are currently revisiting the design of the new Crematorium for the City to achieve Value Engineering savings. This process will result in a final main contractor price but has become protracted and therefore a final contract sum has not yet been agreed. This is expected to be agreed and the main contract let in September 2021.

Following a competitive procurement exercise, on 14th September 2020, Plymouth City Council approved the award of the Pre-Construction Services Agreement to Kier Construction Ltd to supply pre-construction services and enabling works for Bereavement Centre ahead of the main contractor award. On 8th March 2021 a further decision was taken to award Kier Construction Ltd Phase I enabling works via the Pre-Construction Services Agreement. Awarding pre-construction/enabling works to Kier Construction is permitted as a result of the procurement exercise undertaken.

The enabling works package awarded to Kier under this Pre-Construction Services Agreement included site set up, vegetation clearance, hedgerow removal and soil sampling etc. Executive Decision C30 20/21 dated 8 March 2021 approved this

The intention is to extend the agreement to provide for an additional enabling works package for key lead in items such as the new road into the site, the new entrance and to enable groundworks to commence. This will maintain Kiers presence on site and continue to move the project forward during the value engineering exercise. Also there are a number of very long lead in items which fall on the critical path for delivery of the scheme, these lead in times have dramatically increased as a direct result of Covid-19. This approval enables Kiers to place early orders for these items.

All costs have been scrutinised and third party checked and queried by our appointed Quantity Surveyors at Aecom to ensure value for money. A general check for completeness has also been undertaken by our appointed Project Managers at Ward Williams Associates.

An Executive Decision dated 23 July 2018 reference L10 18/19 delegates decisions to award contracts for this project to Ruth Harrell Director of Public Health.

Decision

To appoint Kier Construction Ltd via the Pre-Construction Services Agreement already in place to provide a second phase of Enabling Works to the new Plymouth Crematorium and also for the procurement of long lead in items ahead of a formal Main Contractor Award later in Summer 2021.