

BEREAVEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE BRIEFING PAPER PART I



Kier Construction Ltd and our appointed designers Aecom are currently finalising 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 shortly..

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. This 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.

A second enabling works package was then approved and awarded to Kier Construction Limited as part of the Pre-construction Services Agreement on the 23 July 2018 under reference L10 18/19. This second enabling works contract covered the works outside the site to change the junction into the site, the site entrance, the main road through the site, car park works, utility diversion works and groundworks.

This has maintained Kiers presence on site and continued to move the project forward. Ensuring that materials that have very long lead in times and which fall on the critical path for delivery of the scheme, have been ordered in a timely manner as this approval enabled Kiers to place early orders for these items.

PCC have now prepared a further enabling package of works to ensure that identified savings can be achieved prior to the formal Main Contractor Award. This package will mitigate delays by maintaining the momentum of the supply chain, reducing exposure to price inflation as well as maintaining the critical path on the construction activity programme.

This package will cover:

- Specialist sub-contractor design work required for key subcontract packages
- Extended PCSA design orders previously instructed
- Extended Steelwork order to maintain manufacture and installation
- Order commitments to long lead in items such as cladding and windows
- Order for long lead high risk mechanical equipment
- Planned main contractors welfare establishment

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.

Decision

To appoint Kier Construction Ltd via the Pre-Construction Services Agreement already in place to provide a fourth 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 contract award whilst also providing fees to cover the design elements.