

**REPORT TO:** Executive Board Sub Committee  
**DATE** 25 September 2008  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director: Corporate and Policy  
**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of Tender Cavendish School Runcorn  
**WARDS:** Borough-wide

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform members that the Strategic Director Corporate and Policy has accepted a tender relating to the extension and remodelling of Cavendish School Runcorn and a contract has been entered into with the successful contractor.

**2. RECOMMENDATION: That**

**2.1 Members note that the Strategic Director Corporate and Policy has accepted the tender submitted by John Turner Construction Ltd, and a contract has been entered into, with a contract sum of £1,239,218.00**

**3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 Tenders were invited from six contractors in a two stage tendering process, designed to ensure that the contractor offering 'best value' was appointed to carry out the project. The first stage entailed the contractors tendering their percentage additions for preliminaries, overheads and profit only against a notionally priced document already prepared for them in order to make a comparison assessment. The contractors invited to submit their tender at this stage were as follows: -

Walter Carefoot plc  
J Greenwood Ltd  
Thomas Winstanley & Sons Ltd  
John Turner Construction Limited  
White Building Services Ltd  
Whitfield & Brown Ltd

3.2 From the analysis of the stage one bids which were assessed on both price and quality three contractors were chosen to progress to stage two. These were: -

John Turner Construction Limited  
White Building Services Ltd  
Whitfield & Brown Ltd

3.3 A detailed presentation and rigorous interview of each of these contractors was undertaken by an appointed panel to further establish quality levels as part of the overall review. The aggregate of both price and quality from this two-stage process resulted in a preferred contractor, John Turner Construction Limited, being chosen for this project.

3.4 The final tender price indicated above was developed using actual prices for each element of the work in an 'open book' approach where competitive prices are obtained for each main element of the work and compared with the original cost analysis to ensure that the overall budget is carefully controlled.

3.5 The tender sum above is within the overall budget allowance for the construction works for this project

3.6 The project programme and details of all health and safety issues have been agreed with our clients and the completion of the project is planned for January 2009.

#### **4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The works are being carried out in accordance with the approval by Executive Board on 8 June 2006 minute no EXB 2.

4.2 The works are being carried out in line with the draft climate change policy and outline carbon management plan as a number of sustainability elements are being built into the scheme, which will contribute to reducing carbon emissions within the borough.

#### **5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

##### **6.1 Children and Young People in Halton**

This project enhances the provision at Cavendish School for secondary age pupils within the borough

##### **6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton**

n/a

##### **6.3 A Healthy Halton**

n/a

6.4 **A Safer Halton**  
n/a

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**  
n/a

6.6 **Corporate Effectiveness and Business Efficiency**  
n/a

**7. RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 Not applicable

**8. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

8.1 None.