

**Borders NHS Board**



**PRIMARY CARE PREMISES**  
**EYEMOUTH HEALTH CENTRE & DAY HOSPITAL – UPDATE AND AWARD OF**  
**CONTRACT**

**Aim**

To provide the Board with an update on the progress of the Eyemouth element of the primary care premises programme and request the Board to delegate authority to award the contract linked to Eyemouth to the Director of Finance and the Chief Executive.

**Background**

The original invitation to tender for the upgrade and extension works at Eyemouth, as part of the primary care premises works, was issued on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 to five contractors, resulting in three responses. The tender returns ranged from approximately £990k to £1165k excluding VAT. To endeavour to obtain a lower cost for the construction works a re-tender exercise was undertaken.

The original contracting organisations who responded with their expression of interest to the previous project advertisement on the Public Contracts Scotland portal in 2015 were once more invited to tender for the works; a guideline cost was indicated on the invitation to tender communication. Through the Public Contracts Scotland portal, tender documents and bills of quantities were issued to seven contractors on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016 with a return date of 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Also distributed for due completion and submission with the tender return was a fresh version of the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) document.

**Summary**

Three returns were received from the seven contractors invited to tender. The tender return amounts range from approximately £964k to £1105k excluding VAT. The returns are in line with the estimated cost of this project. Tender returns have been forwarded to Thomson Gray, Cost Advisor Consultant, to review the tenders and compile a report for consideration by NHS Borders. This process it is anticipated will be concluded in approximately two weeks.

In line with NHS Borders code of corporate governance contracts of a value of over £1m require to be approved by the Board. As the work linked to the contract remains ongoing the Board is asked to delegate to the Director of Finance and the Chief Executive the award of this contract. This will ensure there is no delay to the project.

**Recommendation**

The Board is asked to:

- **Note** the update on the Eyemouth Health Centre and Day Hospital project
- **Approve** the delegation of the award of this contract to the Director of Finance and the Chief Executive.

<b>Policy/Strategy Implications</b>	Award of a construction contract in line with NHS Borders code of corporate governance
<b>Consultation</b>	Capital governance in place within NHS Borders
<b>Consultation with Professional Committees</b>	National and local procurement and local estates professionals
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	Work is ongoing to review the full tenders as submitted
<b>Compliance with Board Policy requirements on Equality and Diversity</b>	Complete
<b>Resource/Staffing Implications</b>	None

**Approved by**

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