

Report to the Cabinet

Report reference: C/016/2006-07.

Date of meeting: 10 July 2006.



**Epping Forest
District Council**

Portfolio: Civil Engineering and Maintenance.

Subject: Cottis Lane Car Park Refurbishment.

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Recommendation:

That, for the Civil Engineering works associated the refurbishment of Cottis Lane Car Park in Epping, the tender received from Wedge Contracts in the sum of £55,425.00 be accepted.

Report:

1. The Deputy Leader of Council has determined in accordance with Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, together with paragraphs (6) and (24) of the Council's Procedure Rules, that this report be submitted to this meeting as there have been complaints from local residents of anti-social behaviour in the car park, during early and late evening, and the design associated with the car park refurbishment has been structured to ensure effective traffic management and to monitor and record unacceptable behaviour in the car park.
2. The Cottis Lane Car Park, Epping is one of the most heavily utilised Off Street Car Parks managed by the Council and for the 2006/07 Capital Programme provision was made for the Car Park to be refurbished.
3. The works associated with the refurbishment, consist of civil engineering (resurfacing, kerbing and ducting), improved lighting and the provision of CCTV and it is the tender for the civil engineering component of this project that requires Cabinet approval.
4. The Cabinet are advised that four companies were invited to tender and the result of the tendering exercise was as follows: -
 - Wedge Contracts Ltd - £55,425.00
 - Willis Ltd - £56,103.00
 - Vinci Park Ltd - £60,470.10
 - May Gurney - No tender submitted
5. The tender of Wedge Contracts Ltd in the sum of £55,425.00 is recommended for acceptance.

Statement in Support of Recommendation:

6. The car park surface is currently in a poor condition and the traffic management works, CCTV and lighting improvement will address the anti-social behaviour problems being experienced.

Other Options for Action:

7. To re-tender the works.

Consultation undertaken:

8. Safer Communities Co-ordinator.

Resource Implications:

Budget provision: £75,000 in the 2006/07 Capital Programme.

Personnel: From within existing resources.

Land: Nil.

Community Plan/BVPP Reference: N/A.

Relevant Statutory Powers: N/A.

Background Papers: None.

Environmental/Human Rights/Crime and Disorder Act Implications: None.

Key Decision Reference (if required): N/A.