



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
Subject:	Capital Programme: Alleygates
Date:	24 August 2012
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1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	At its meeting on 1 August 2012 the Health & Environmental Services committee considered a report on the future provision of alleygates in the city. Please see Appendix 1 the committee report to Health and Environmental for ease of reference.

2	Key Issues
2.1	The H&ES committee agreed, from a service delivery perspective, to the recommendation that the proposal for alleygates be advanced on a separate supply and installation procurement approach. The committee agreed to recommend this decision to the SP&R committee for your approval.
2.2	The committee is therefore asked to consider the commendation of the H&ES committee regarding the proposal for alleygates and decide, from a corporate financial perspective, whether to approve the invitation of tenders and award of contracts on the basis outlined.
2.3	Award of contracts for capital projects is made to the firms submitting the most economically advantageous tenders on the basis of a cost/quality evaluation in accordance with BCC procurement guidelines. However consideration will also be given, on the basis of legal advice, to the use of social clauses within the contracts.
2.4	Members also specifically requested that a reverse marketing event be held for local contractors and suppliers in relation to this work. The purpose of this event will be to raise awareness and build capacity in order that they can effectively compete for these contracts.

3	Resource Implications
3.1	The provision of alleygates is included in the Investment Programme for 2012-15 under Physical Investment Programme.
3.2	An amount of £700,000 is included for the next phase of alleygates in financial provisions for the capital programme.
3.3	It is intended that tenders will be invited and frameworks established for the supply and installation of alleygates for this and future phases for up to four years, although expenditure for any future phases would be subject to further approval.

4	Equality and Good Relations Considerations
4.1	There are no equality or good relations impacts relating to the SP&R decision but an EQIA will be conducted by the H&ES Department.

5	Recommendations
5.1	It is recommended that the committee approve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the invitation of tenders and establishment of possible frameworks for each of the supply and the installation of alleygates for up to four years; ii. the advancement of phase 3 of the alleygates programme to full commitment to deliver in the amount of £700,000; and iii. approval for delegated authority to be given to the director of Property and Projects for the award of tenders and any frameworks.

6	Decision Tracking
The decision of this will tracked and monitored by the Director of Property and Projects	

7	Documents Attached
H&ES Committee report of the 1 ST August 2012	