

Report on	Capital Projects – Contract Awards Delegated Authority request
Date of Meeting	3rd July 2023
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	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	<p>For Council to approve awarding delegated powers for the award of Capital Contracts for the the following projects</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Connecting Pomeroy – Arts Trail development (IST Contract) 2. Small Settlements – Moneymore (IST Contract) 3. Small Settlements – Castlecaulfield (ICT Contract) 4. Small Settlements – Moy (ICT Contract) 5. Small Settlements – Clady/Castledawson (IST Contract)
2.0	Background
2.1	MUDC Capital Programme has many funded projects, which aims to to enhance the district by delivering Capital investment into the towns and villages. In order to progress schemes which are ALL under extreme funding programme pressures this involves council officers having to progress procurement awards to the various schemes as noted in section 1.1.
2.2	<p>The following are indicative Costs for these projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connecting Pomeroy – Arts Trail development (IST Contract - £600k) • Small Settlements – Moneymore (IST Contract - £ 250k) • Small Settlements – Castlecaulfield (ICT Contract - £100k) • Small Settlements – Moy (ICT Contract - £100k) • Small Settlements – Clady/Castledawson (IST Contract - £345k)
3.0	Main Report
3.1	With the development of these schemes in terms of design and procurement, it is not possible to meet the July the Committee and Council deadlines. As there are no Committee meetings in August it is not possible to award these contracts in the normal manner – the procurement route of public tender was required as part of the Funders process. The schemes are in procurement mode and will close at various stages throughout the summer period. The end date for delivery of these projects is

3.2	<p>31st December 2023 (Connecting Pomeroy) and 31st March 2024 for all other projects (Small Settlements)</p> <p>Due to the limited timeframes involved, approval is therefore sought to delegate authority to Chief Executive / Deputy Chief Executive to authorise the award of these contracts to the successful tenderers during the summer period. This will allow for progressing these schemes within the available funding deadline. This will assist in achieving the completion dates for the programme delivery as detailed in Section 3.2.</p>
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<p>Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications</p> <p>Financial: As identified.</p> <p>Human: Within existing staffing structure or appointed Consultants as per each specific Project.</p> <p>Risk Management: Non-delivery of the project's completion will result in negative press for the Council, reduction in grant funding allocation and impact development of services in the District.</p>
4.2	<p>Screening & Impact Assessments</p> <p>Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A</p> <p>Rural Needs Implications: N/A</p>
5.0	Recommendations
5.1	<p>It is recommend to Council that, pursuant to Section 7(1)(b) of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014, that authority is delegated to Chief Executive during Auhust 2023 to approve the award of contracts for the the following schemes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Connecting Pomeroy – Arts Trail development (IST Contract) 2. Small Settlements – Moneymore (IST Contract) 3. Small Settlements – Castlecaulfield (ICT Contract) 4. Small Settlements – Moy (ICT Contract) 5. Small Settlements – Clady/Castledawson (IST Contract)
5.2	<p>A full update report will be brought back to Members in September Committee/Council for information.</p>
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	None.