

Report on	Festive Lighting Replacement - Delegated Authority request
Date of Meeting	11 th June 2024
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	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	For Council to approve awarding delegated powers for the award of a tender for the supply and deliver for a range of festive lighting to be used in the main towns throughout the district, if required.
2.0	Background
2.1	As members may be aware provision has been included within Council's Capital Programme 2023-27 for the replacement of festive lighting. A tender for the supply and deliver for a range of festive lighting for use in Dungannon, Cookstown, Magherafelt and Maghera town centres. It is hoped that delivery can be realised for the 2024 for a number of these locations.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The indicative contract value for new and replacement festive lighting is estimated to be in the region of £495K. The project is in public procurement mode and the tender will close on the 17 th June 2024.
3.2	At this juncture it is not possible that the tender evaluation will be complete in time to bring a paper before June 2024 Environment Committee for decision. To progress the award and maintain anticipated delivery lead deadlines it is intended to bring a tender evaluation report direct to the Council meeting on 27 th June 2024. However, in the event this is not achievable, approval to award the contract at the Environment Committee in July 2024 is required.
3.3	Due to the anticipated lead times involved with supplies, approval is therefore sought to delegate authority to the July Environment Committee to authorise the award of this contract to the successful tenderer. This will allow for progressing delivery for the 2024 Christmas period.

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Funding provision for the festive lighting provision is included within Councils Capital Programme 2023-27, and provision is under consideration with the revised Capital Programme currently under development.
	Human: Within the Council existing staffing structure.
	Risk Management: There is concern around delivery lead times if installations are possible for the 2024 festive season.
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None.
	Rural Needs Implications: None.
5.0	Recommendations
5.1	Members are asked to note the contents of the report and to recommend to Council that, pursuant to Section 7(1)(b) of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014, that authority is delegated to the July 2024 Environment Committee to approve the award of contract for supply and delivery of town centre festive lighting goods, in the event it is not possible to bring a tender report for the appointment to the June 2024 Council meeting.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	None.