

# BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## REPORT TO CABINET

30 JANUARY 2018

### REPORT OF THE INTERIM CORPORATE DIRECTOR EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

#### **AUTHORISATION OF AN EXEMPTION, UNDER RULE 3.1.1 OF THE CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES (CPRS) – URGENT HOT WATER SYSTEM WORKS AT AFON Y FELIN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

#### **1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to notify Cabinet of the authorisation for an exemption, under Rule 3.1.1 of the Contract Procedure Rules (CPRs), from obtaining tenders for urgent hot water system works at Afon y Felin Primary School.

#### **2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives/other corporate priorities**

- 2.1 The works assist in the achievement of the following corporate priority:-

- Smarter use of resources

#### **3. Background**

- 3.1 Following a report of a leak on the hot water heater at Afon y Felin Primary School, a technical officer confirmed that the water heating unit was beyond repair and needed immediate replacement.
- 3.2 The result of the system failure was that the school, including the kitchen, had no hot water. While emergency measures were put in place, there was obviously still a significant inherent health and safety risk the longer the school was left without hot water, especially in toilet areas.
- 3.3 Due to these works urgently needing to be completed, BCBC Built Environment indicated that they/or their principal contractor (BCB Construction) did not have sufficient time to enter a full tender process for these works and therefore would need to seek a single quotation for the works.
- 3.4 Delegated power authority was subsequently given to seek a single quotation for the works (Decision Reference EFS- SM-17-65). The works were awarded to Lorne Stewart and have now been completed.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

- 4.1 The exemption used in delegated power EFS- SM-17-65 requires the chief officer to report to Cabinet (a record of any exemption made in accordance with Rule 3.1 shall be made in the minutes of the appropriate body to which the report referred to in that Rule is made).

4.2 The exemption was due to the urgency brought about by events unforeseeable by the contracting authority.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 There are no implications for the Council's policy framework or procedure rules.

## **6. Equality Impact Assessment**

6.1 The works are essential for this authority to meet health and safety standards. No negative impacts are anticipated as a consequence of the proposal.

## **7. Financial implications**

7.1 The works had a budget of £7,728.74 which would be funded from Education and Family Support Directorate's repairs and maintenance budget.

## **8. Recommendation**

8.1 It is recommended that Cabinet notes the exemption from the requirement to tender, in accordance with Rule 3.1.1 of the Contract Procedure Rules.

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## **Background documents**

SCHEMES OF DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS – Record of Decision - EFS- SM-17-65