

Exemption from Contract Procedure Rules - request form - Request Approved

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Exemption request details

Exemption category	Exceptional Circumstances
Details / Circumstances / Explanation of why an exemption was required	<p>The council procured a contract with Mace via an OJEU Open Tender in early 2020 to support the refurbishment of the Colosseum building. At this point this was a standalone project. In the autumn of 2020 as plans for the Town Hall Quarter were developed it became clear that there were significant synergies and opportunities for the council to progress the Town Hall refurbishment in parallel with the Colosseum refurbishment and these proposals were agreed by Cabinet in January 2021. The clear synergy between the two projects and benefits of delivering them together mean that it will be beneficial from a financial, delivery and design perspective to have one design team for the projects and given the performance of Mace and their team through to RIBA Stage 2 designs on the Colosseum it is recommended that they also take on the same responsibilities for the Town Hall project. The original contract with Mace cannot be extended / varied to cover these additional responsibilities and therefore this exemption is required to enable a Direct Award of this contract to Mace under the SCF framework, which has provision which allow Direct Award. The council can be assured of the value for money as the rates and pricing provided by Mace for this project are in line with those competitively tendered for the original Colosseum contract.</p>
Contract Title	Town Hall Refurbishment - Lead Consultant and Project Management
Vendor / Contractor	Mace
Date Contract let	25 October 2021
Term / Duration of Contract	Until completion of works - approx. end 2024
End date	31 December 2024
Total Value of Contract	£650,000
WBC Contract Manager name	Peter Vickerstaff
WBC Contract Manager email	peter.vickerstaff@watford.gov.uk
Date	23 October 2021

Group Head of Service approval

Group Head of Service approving / rejecting:	Andrew Cox
Decision	Approve and forward to the Managing Director
Date	22 October 2021

Managing Director decision

Decision	Approve the request
Managing Director	Donna Nolan
Date	22 October 2021

Portfolio holder

Name of the Portfolio Holder informed	Councillor Mark Watkin
Date the Portfolio Holder was informed	23 October 2021
Date reported to Cabinet (If over Â£100K)	06 December 2021