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## REPORT SEEKING AUTHORISATION UNDER NCC FINANCE AND CONTRACT RULE 2.5 FOR SPEND EXCEEDING £2 MILLION

Spend exceeding £2 million requires executive approval prior to the commencement of any procurement. Finance and Contract Rule 2.5 provides a mechanism for the Leader to consent to the decision being taken and then reported to the Executive for information with the reasons for the urgency being given.

1	<b>Name of Proposed Contract</b>	
Delivery Agreement - Seahouses Main Pier Protection Scheme		
2	<b>Purpose of Spend and Reasons for Urgency</b>	
<p>Along with the Seahouses Breakwater, the Main Pier at Seahouses provides the coastal defence for the town. In light of recent accelerated deterioration of the structure, the Council has secured funding from the Environment Agency to repair the pier, in our role as Coast Protection Authority for the area.</p> <p>Due to the environmental sensitivities of the Northumberland coast, a Marine Licence is required from the Marine Management Organisation to progress works to the Main Pier. This licence was sought in January 2018 and only granted in December 2018, a process that usually takes 13 weeks. Schemes across the country with similar sensitivities were also affected while the MMO considered their existing policies and formalised their position in response to recent case law. Since receiving the Marine Licence, the design has been updated to consider the conditions of the licence enabling a fee bid to be submitted on 23rd January.</p> <p>There are two key constraints which explain the urgency:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Environment Agency funding is time limited, required to be spent by the end of March 2020; and</li><li>2. A condition of the Marine Licence only allows works to be undertaken between the months of April and September, inclusive.</li></ol> <p>To reduce the risks associated with these constraints, contracts are required to be agreed by 30th January to enable sufficient time for mobilisation, site setup and engagement with the Harbour Commissioners to finalise arrangements for the operational plan.</p>		



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<b>3</b>	<b>Term of Contract</b>
<p>The contract is to be issued to Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering Limited via the Scape Framework 2015.</p> <p>The form of contract is NEC3 Option C.</p> <p>The duration of the contract is 30th January 2019 to 22nd November 2019.</p>	

<b>4</b>	<b>Financial Information</b>
<p>The total cost of the contract is £2,369,411.</p>	

<b>5</b>	<b>Client Details</b>
<p><i>Include Name of Officer who will act as the client and sign off work completed</i></p> <p>Aaron McNeill, Flood &amp; Coastal Erosion Risk Manager.</p>	

<b>6</b>	<b>Name of Requestor:</b>	Aaron McNeill
	<b>Code of Conduct (4.2.2) Declaration</b> In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, please confirm that you have no interest which could, or be seen to, influence your judgement in this proposed procurement or contract.	I confirm.
	<b>Designation:</b>	Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk Manager
	<b>Business Area:</b>	Technical Services
	<b>Date:</b>	29th January 2019
	<b>Cost Centre/Subjective Code:</b>	HS170021

<b>7</b>	<b>Approved by:</b>	<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
	<b>Leader of Council</b>		30/1/19



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<b>8</b>	<b>Procurement details</b>
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This request follows Procurement Outcome Report SPS00833
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