

Decision Notice

Decision Taken Between Meetings

Decision No:	DPH04 16
Subject:	COMMONWEALTH WAR MEMORIAL: APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS
Notification Date:	03 MARCH 2017
Implementation Date:	03 MARCH 2017
Decision taken by:	Councillor Nicholas Kenton, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning
Authority:	Paragraph 12 of Section 3C of Part 3 (Responsibility for Functions) of the Constitution
Decision Type:	Executive Key Decision
Call-In to Apply?	No (<i>the Chairman of the Council has agreed to suspend call-in for the reasons set out in paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3</i>)
Classification:	UNRESTRICTED (although the attached report contains exempt information)
Reason for the Decision:	To ensure that Consultants are appointed without delay to enable a planning application and the Scheduled Monument Consent to be submitted to the Local Planning Authority and Historic England respectively by the Autumn 2017.
Decision:	To appoint WSP/Baca to project manage the preparation of a business case, Environmental Impact Assessment, planning application and Scheduled Monument Consent for the Commonwealth War Memorial for a total cost of £386,737 and to include this commission in the Special Projects Programme.

1. **Consideration and Alternatives** (*if applicable*)

- 1.1 The appointment of consultants to prepare a planning application and Scheduled Monument Consent for the Commonwealth War Memorial at the Dover Western Heights, are crucial activities in supporting the emerging regeneration and growth agenda while helping to ensure that the Council's Corporate and Local Plan objectives can be realised in terms of making the most of Dover's historical assets.
- 1.2 It is essential that the consultants are appointed without delay in order for them to start work on the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) as a number of the ecological surveys that are needed for the EIA are seasonal dependent. For this reason, the decision cannot wait until the next Cabinet meeting on 3 April 2017.
- 1.3 The Chairman of the Council is requested to suspend call-in as this will enable the appointment of the consultants and ecological survey work to be undertaken without further delay.

2. **Any Conflicts of Interest Declared?**

- 2.1 None.

3. **Supporting Information** (*as applicable*)

- 3.1 See the attached report (which is exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as it contains financial information about the cost of the different tenders).