

4. CHRISTCHURCH WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CAPACITY UPGRADE: CLARIFIERS 3 & 4 TENDERING SHORTLIST

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The purpose of this report is to seek approval for a shortlist of tenderers for the next stage of the Christchurch Wastewater Treatment Plant Capacity Upgrade.

BACKGROUND

The next major stage of the Christchurch Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade is the construction of the third and fourth clarifiers and the conversion of the remaining two secondary sedimentation tanks to aeration basins. The first two clarifiers and the conversion of the first two secondary tanks to aeration basins is just now being completed under two major contracts, one carried out by Daniel Smith Industries and the other (mainly involving the provision of mechanical and electrical services) by Downer Construction. These two contracts totalled approximately \$12m. This next contract for the final two clarifiers and aeration tank conversion is expected to cost approximately half this figure (\$7m).

REGISTRATION OF INTEREST

For the first major contracts, "Registration of Interest" was advertised and the following companies were then shortlisted to tender.

- Fletchers Construction
- McConnell Smith Contractors
- Fulton Hogan Canterbury
- Naylor Love Canterbury
- C Lund & Son Ltd
- Hopkins Engineering
- Downers Construction
- Mainzeal Property & Construction
- Daniel Smith Industries

Other companies that registered an interest but did not qualify to tender were:

- Eastwood Construction
- March Construction
- Higgs Construction
- McNab and Sons

It is proposed to invite tenders for this next contract from the original list of invited tenderers as above.

FUNDING AND PROGRAMME

Funding is provided in the Liquid Waste Capital Works Programme as part of the \$33.7m upgrade provision for the Treatment Plant. Construction is programmed over two financial years (2001/02, 2002/03). The work is expected to be tendered in mid June, with tenders closing in mid July. Tenders will be reported to the City Services Committee in August 2001.

SUMMARY

Adoption of the previous tendering shortlist greatly simplifies the tender and evaluation process, saves the repeated effort of the 'non-qualifiers', and includes all the major companies considered capable of satisfactorily performing the work.

Recommendation: That the Council approve the tendering shortlist as outlined above.