

# Report to the Executive Member for Housing for Decision

Portfolio: Housing

**Subject:** Appointment of Employer's Agent for Bridge Road and

Hampshire Rose Housing Development Sites

Report of: Managing Director of Fareham Housing

Corporate Priorities: Providing Housing Choices

#### Purpose:

To seek Executive Member approval for the appointment of Employer's Agent for the development of both the Bridge Road and Hampshire Rose development sites.

### **Executive Summary:**

Full planning permission is in place for the development of social rent homes at 123 Bridge Road and the Hampshire Rose (Highlands Road) development sites. Fareham Housing now seeks to progress the delivery of the affordable homes at these two sites. Key to this is the appointment of an Employer's Agent to act on the Council's behalf and to project manage these two development sites.

This appointment follows Executive approval on the 08 April 2018 to proceed with construction on these two schemes. Together they will provide 23 new social rent properties.

The Council is part of the Wayfarer Partnership; a consortium of affordable housing providers joined together to increase the supply of affordable housing. This Partnership includes a framework that allows the appointment of various professional services with experience in this field. Boulter Mossmann have been selected as the Employer's Agent for these two sites. The Council has successfully used Boulter Mossmann previously on other Council developments, their fees are competitive and they have indicated that they have the capacity to deal with the two schemes.

The contract sum is such that Executive Member approval is required to proceed with the appointment.

### Recommendation:

It is recommended that the appointment of Boulter Mossmann as Employer's Agent for the Bridge Road and Hampshire Rose development sites be approved.

## Reason:

The cost associated with this contract/appointment requires Executive Member authorisation.

## **Cost of Proposals:**

The cost of the proposal is accounted for in the overall costs of site development reported to the Executive on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

The cost associated with this contract is outlined in the confidential Appendix A attached to this report.

#### **Risk Assessment:**

There are no identified risks associated with this report.