

PWYLLGOR STRATEGAETH A CHYNLLUNIO
STRATEGY & PLANNING COMMITTEE

DYDDIAD Y CYFARFOD: DATE OF MEETING:	24 April 2025
TEITL YR ADRODDIAD: TITLE OF REPORT:	Proposed Fluoroscopy Replacement & Associated Infrastructure/Enablement Work at Withybush General Hospital (WGH)
CYFARWYDDWR ARWEINIOL: LEAD DIRECTOR:	Andrew Carruthers, Executive Director of Operations Lee Davies, Executive Director of Strategy and Planning
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Pwrpas yr Adroddiad (dewiswch fel yn addas)

Purpose of the Report (select as appropriate)

Ar Gyfer Penderfyniad/For Decision

ADRODDIAD SCAA
SBAR REPORT

Sefyllfa / Situation

This report set out the position with regards to the proposed Fluoroscopy replacement and associated infrastructure/enablement work at the Withybush General Hospital (WGH) site.

Funded by Welsh Government support, approval is sought to award the contract to deliver the main contract work, in line with Welsh Government guidance.

Cefndir / Background

Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDdUHB) has received funding from the Welsh Government to support a vital programme aimed at replacing outdated imaging and diagnostic equipment. Approved by the Cabinet Secretary for Health & Social Services, this initiative focuses on modernising our diagnostic tools to reduce waiting times and ensure the long-term sustainability of our healthcare services.

A key project within this programme is the replacement of imaging equipment, scheduled for completion in 2025-26. Planning and design work for new fluoroscopy imaging equipment is already underway, with funding allocated for 2025-26 seamlessly integrated into this timeline. This will enhance the hospital's ability to provide up-to-date diagnostic services.

The Welsh Government (WG) has committed £3.037m to HDdUHB, with funds confirmed on 13 June 2024 and 30 January 2025 respectively. This investment will support the purchase of new diagnostic equipment and necessary infrastructure upgrades, demonstrating our dedication to improving healthcare for our communities. By working closely with the NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP) and the Welsh Government, we are ensuring these improvements align with wider efforts to strengthen imaging services across NHS Wales while maintaining our current capacity.

This funding and the planned upgrades reflect our commitment to meeting essential service needs and delivering better care for all.

Asesiad / Assessment

This Contract Award is in line with Section 10 of the NHS Wales Infrastructure Investment Guidance. Paragraph 13 (3) of Schedule 2 to the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 requires Local Health Boards to obtain Welsh Ministers' consent to acquire and dispose of property and enter into contracts. Contract approvals over £1m for individual schemes will be sought as part of the normal business case submission process where funding from the NHS Capital Programme is required.

The Contract will be funded via the £3.037m WG funding and is in line NWSSP's Construction Framework West: HDdUHB - £200k to £2m, which is compliant with UK/EU procurement legislation. This framework included several potential providers who had achieved inclusion on the framework following a qualification process.

The HDdUHB Estates, Facilities and Capital Management directorate seeks to establish a single Call-off Contract for the provision of enablement and infrastructure work at Witybush Hospital (WGH). Call-off Contracts will be actioned by HDdUHB, utilising standard Joint Contracts Tribunal (JCT) contract templates (Intermediate Form of Contract and Agreements in place by Legal Team - Bevan Brittan). The framework is structured by awarding contracts on a rotational basis. The Call-off option of direct award is available subject to supplier being next on rotation.

This multi-supplier framework agreement covers the provision of qualified construction contractors to undertake various packages of minor/intermediate and major works which meets HDdUHB's requirements. All suppliers have been added to the framework following a robust and compliant tendering process, enabling the inclusion of suppliers both willing and able to provide customers with the construction related works required to meet the Health Board's strategic objective.

The tender was assessed in detail against subcontractor pricing, the framework agreed uplift percentages and the works requirements using industry data to benchmark the submitted rates and rates from previous phases of works to confirm acceptance and value for money. The tender was in line with the NWSSP construction framework – award and call off procedures:

- NWSSP Procurement Services Tender Reference CAP-OJEU-91888
- Region B: Lot 4 Projects from £200k to £2m - HDdUHB
- Rotational – Direct Award with T. Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd

For the 2024/25 Discretionary Capital Projects, the Capital Systems Final Audit Report has achieved a ****substantial audit rating**** for both the selection and appointment processes and the value for money and award considerations. This outcome reflects the robust stewardship and financial control exercised by the Discretionary Capital Design Team at HDdUHB, in line with NHS Wales standards. By leveraging the direct award mechanism within an approved framework, we have streamlined procurement, reduced costs, and maintained transparency, ensuring the selection of suitable suppliers based on objective criteria. This approach not only prioritises the Health Board's service needs but also frees up valuable clinical and estates resources, delivering measurable efficiency gains. The substantial rating affirms our commitment to achieving economy, efficiency, and effectiveness, reinforcing public trust in our management of taxpayer funds. This success positions us well to advance our 'spend to save' objectives, delivering long-term value for the organisation

HDdUHB and the external cost adviser Atkins Realis, undertook the cost plan process and evaluation in accordance with the framework evaluation criteria, specification, schedules and assessment of the sustainability and overall value for money:

1. Framework Requirements – Award and Call-off Procedure
2. Quoted Price / Commercial Arrangements - 100%
3. Social Value in Construction in-line with Framework Lot 4
4. The Framework Supplier will be required to assist the Authority in delivering its obligations under the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, with respect to improving the social, economic, and environmental wellbeing (Social Value) of the local area through its activities.

The budget for the contract works is £1,846,777.51 (excluding VAT):

Element	Cost
TRJ Contract Sum (excl. VAT)	£1,846,777.51
Fees and Survey Costs as DAF (excl. VAT)	142,263.33
Non-Works Costs as DAF (excl. VAT)	£26,842.50
Equipment Costs as DAF (excl. VAT)	£390,566.08
Total Project Costs excluding Contingency and VAT	£2,406,449.42
Contingency as DAF	£147,742.20
Total Project Costs including Contingency (excl. VAT)	£2,554,191.62
VAT (20%)	£510,838.32
Sub Total	£3,065,029.94
Less Recoverable VAT	-£28,452.67
Forecast Project Out-Turn Cost	£3,036,577.28

The outcome of the suppliers' bid based on their written responses resulted in a recommendation to award the contract to T Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd for the works in the sum of £1,846,777.51 (excluding VAT), as their bid offered the best fit with the key criteria, could meet the required timescales and offered the best overall value for money.

Argymhelliad / Recommendation

The Board is requested to:

- **APPROVE**, for onward ratification by Board on 29 May 2025, award of the contract at £1,846,777.51 (excluding VAT) to T. Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd, with call-off agreement to be prepared and executed by the Health Board.

Amcanion: (rhaid cwblhau) Objectives: (must be completed)	
Committee ToR Reference: Cyfeirnod Cylch Gorchwyl y Pwyllgor:	3.1.18. Recommend to the Board, following consideration of proposals from the Capital Sub Committee, the use of the Health Board's Capital Resource Limit (CRL), which includes the Discretionary Capital Programme (DCP), in line with the HB's financial scheme of delegation.
Cyfeirnod Cofrestr Risg Datix a Sgôr Cyfredol: Datix Risk Register Reference and Score:	684
Parthau Ansawdd: Domains of Quality Quality and Engagement Act (sharepoint.com)	1. Safe 2. Timely 4. Efficient
Galluogwyr Ansawdd: Enablers of Quality: Quality and Engagement Act (sharepoint.com)	Not Applicable
Amcanion Strategol y BIP: UHB Strategic Objectives:	2. Healthier communities
Amcanion Cynllunio Planning Objectives	8 Estates plans
Amcanion Llesiant BIP: UHB Well-being Objectives: Hyperlink to HDdUHB Well-being Objectives Annual Report 2021-2022	10. Not Applicable

Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol: Further Information:	
Ar sail tystiolaeth: Evidence Base:	Within report
Rhestr Termau: Glossary of Terms:	Within report
Partion / Pwyllgorau â ymgynhorwyd ymlaen llaw y Cyfarfod Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol: Parties / Committees consulted prior to Strategy and Planning Committee:	Health and Safety Committee

Effaith: (rhaid cwblhau)
Impact: (must be completed)

Ariannol / Gwerth am Arian: Financial / Service:	Capital Funding in place to deliver the enablement and infrastructure works.
Ansawdd / Gofal Claf: Quality / Patient Care:	Direct impact on patient environment.
Gweithlu: Workforce:	Not applicable
Risg: Risk:	The risk is identified on the corporate risk register. Targeted meetings being arranged to manage the programme, to include development of project specific risk register.
Cyfreithiol: Legal:	Not applicable
Enw Da: Reputational:	High potential for media and political interest. Communication team supporting the programme.
Gyfrinachedd: Privacy:	Not applicable
Cydraddoldeb: Equality:	Not applicable