

Clerk's Note – Suspension of Financial Regulation

“Where it is intended to enter a contract less than £25,000 in value for the supply of work, goods or services the Clerk/RFO shall obtain three quotations (priced descriptions of the proposed supply).”

Reasons to suspend financial regulations to allow a single quotation:

The quotation provided by Brambledown Landscape Services Ltd provides a 12-month maintenance and defects liability. This will cover watering, maintenance and weed control. Local supplies do not have capabilities to provide a watering schedule to newly planted trees. Additionally, given that 73 trees will be planted as part of the works, the Town Council NSO's could not maintain a watering schedule given existing work schedules.

A local supplier awarded a contract for 13 semi mature trees previously, via a competitive seeking of tenders, with watering to be carried out in-house. The supplier has struggled to secure the trees and they have still not been planted to date, but we expect these to be planted in December/January. Our NSO's will be responsible for the watering of these, which will take us to capacity.