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Invitation to Tender for Construction of a Surfaced Perimeter Path / Exercise Track at the Gaskell Recreation Ground, Station Road, Much Wenlock, Shropshire

AMENDMENT TO SPECIFICATION

In addition to the surface specified in the tender documentation, please also submit prices for the following alternative surfaces, which the Council wishes to consider:

1. Standard hardcore base with fine granite topping

Standard hardcore based solution with suitable edging to retain base aggregate material to avoid loose stones being picked up and kicked over the open grass field. All material to be vibration rolled and condensed flat with final surfaces 5 mm below edging material height. Edging material must have suitable longevity to survive active 10 year period before replacement is required. A solid paving style retention edging material is preferred but timber based can also be proposed providing warranty period is 5-10 years.

2. Standard hardcore base with standard tarmacadam topping

Standard hardcore based solution with suitable edging to retain base aggregate material and act as edging to retain/edge the topping surface to define path edges. All base material to be vibration rolled and condensed flat with final surfaces flush with edging material height. Edging material must have suitable longevity to survive active 10 year period before replacement is required. A solid paving style retention edging material is preferred for containing tarmac.

3. Standard forestry style path with resin sealed chips or loose/free material based surface finish

Standard hardcore based solution with suitable edging to retain base aggregate material to avoid loose material being picked up and kicked over the open grass field. All material to be vibration rolled and condensed flat with final resin bonded surfaces flush with the edging material height. If loose chipped material solution is proffered then a suitable weed retention material must be laid before surface material is put in place. Edging material must have suitable longevity to survive active 10 year period before replacement is required. A solid paving style retention edging material is preferred but timber based can also be proposed providing warranty period is 5-10 years.

Note: Contractors should clearly state the depth and type of base aggregate being used and the associated reasoning. Contractors' knowledge of suitable depths of hardcore base substrate will be accepted providing suppliers warranty covers a 5-10 year period. Essential maintenance specified by the contractor would be undertaken by the Council during this period. Base supporting aggregate material depths may vary per surface material finish. Suitable depths need to be used to ensure that a 500kg disability motor scooter is able to pass over the route without damaging the material.

The Town Council is seeking a cost effective but safe and manageable solution.