

From: Major sites team
Sent: 01 November 2011 17:14
To:
Subject: Filton Airfield - Draft Consultant email for comment.

Major sites / Strategic planning

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My Council is concerned to test the accuracy of the report and assumptions made within it and is seeking independent review with the aid of specialist consultant input.

I understand that your consultancy may have appropriate experience and knowledge of the aviation sector to assist in that review.

The Council has to reach a conclusion and respond to a very tight deadline and therefore suggest either an hourly fee rate with an estimate of time or a fixed rate. We are seeking competitive quotes for this work

We assume that the fee would include for an introductory scoping meeting with officers and a second meeting with submission of the final draft report.

The final report may be in the form of either a detailed letter or a report reviewing the Aviation Options Report and indicating, on the basis of your knowledge and expertise, key areas of agreement or disagreement with the TOR/Mott MacDonald report. This would be made public.

We would also invite you to comment on issues raised by the Save Filton Airfield Campaign Group and others who are advocating an alternative scenario to closure.

I would be grateful for confirmation by 7th November that:

- You are able to produce an initial draft report by 16th November and full report by 25th November.
- You would have no conflict of interest in meeting this brief e.g. by current or recent work with any of the principal interests at Filton.
- You have appropriate skills, knowledge and experience.

I would also be grateful for your fee quote for this project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Kind regards

From: Major sites
Sent: 01 November 2011 20:44
To: Major sites / Strategic planning
Subject: RE: Filton Airfield - Draft Consultant email for comment.
Fine with me.

before this is sent I will let [redacted] and [redacted] know this is happening.

Ta

Senior Officers
Environment +
Community Service

From: Strategic planning
Sent: 01 November 2011 22:53
To: Major sites
Subject: RE: Filton Airfield - Draft Consultant email for comment.
Hi

I was just scanning the web and come across the following Aviation Consultants:

<http://www.aviasolutions.com/>

<http://www.yorkaviation.co.uk/Our%20Clients>

<http://www.alanstratford.co.uk/site/index.asp>

From:
Sent: 02 November 2011 16:52
To:
Subject: Filton Airfield - Aviation Options Report Consultant Review

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cc Major sites + Strategic
planning

Final draft for clearance by Director.

For circulation to:

info@aviasolutions.co.uk;
yal@yorkaviation.co.uk;
info@alanstratford.co.uk;
ben.verrall@jacobs.com.;
aviation@scottwilson.com
halcrow – contact details being checked.

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We anticipate that the final report would highlight on the basis of your knowledge and expertise, key areas of agreement or disagreement with the TOR/Mott MacDonald Aviation Options Report and also provide an overview of whether, or not, the conclusions drawn in the report on Aviation Options, viability and future needs are sound.

Your advice to the Council would be made public.

I apologise for the short notice but an early indication of whether you are able to work with the Council on this review would be very helpful.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. Unfortunately I will not be available on Friday 4th due to planning workshops.

Kind regards

Senior Principal Planning Officer
Major Sites Team

From: Majorsites Team
Sent: Wed 02/11/2011 20:57
To: Environment + community services
Cc: Strategic planning, major sites
Subject: FW: Filton Airfield - Aviation Options Report Consultant Review

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This is the e-mail we need to send out ASAP to the companies we have identified, who MAY be able to undertake the aviation work needed. This isn't the brief, its purely to work out if these companies can undertake this work in the time period and whether they have any existing conflicts of interest with BAE.

Given the discussion on Tuesday I'm satisfied that it's the full brief which would need to be drafted in consultation with Bristol. Are you OK for this to be sent tomorrow?

From: Strategic planning
Sent: 02 November 2011 21:57
To: Majorsites team
Subject: RE: Filton Airfield - Aviation Options Report Consultant Review

Fine with me...just some v minor changes

From: Majorsites Team
Sent: 03 November 2011 10:56
Cc: Majorsites team
Subject: Filton Airfield - Aviation Options Report Consultant Review

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Senior Principal Planning Officer
Major Sites Team

From: *Strategic planning*
Sent: 03 November 2011 12:16
To: *Major sites team*
Subject: RE: Filton Airfield - Aviation Options Report Consultant Review

Any response for *Sr. officer, Strategic planning*

From: *- Major sites team*
Sent: 03 November 2011 12:21
To: *Strategic planning*
Subject: RE: Filton Airfield - Aviation Options Report Consultant Review

Yes, and the email has one out