
ELECTRONIC AUCTION SUPPORT PROJECT

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY REPORT

Highlights

- Mansell Construction commenced work on site on the 18th September. They have made good progress and established a good working relationship with our staff. Please see attached progress photographs, taken on the 18th October.
- The projected project anticipated final account remains at £2m (£2,000,005). The attached cost plan reconciles the £2.9m requested from Minister by adding the annual Maintenance / Lease cost and VAT.
- The standby generator and oil tank have been moved to allow the new fire escape to be positioned. We have had the generator serviced at the same time in order that the system is fully ready to support the 28G auction.
- Asbestos lagging around pipes has been discovered in the East Wing on the entrance staircase half landing. This is despite our having a certificate confirming that no asbestos exists within the building. Providing no more asbestos is found we will not have a problem.
- We have obtained planning approval from the Tandridge District Council.
- English Heritage has visited site with a view to "Listed Building" status being placed on the site. They expressed their approval of the measures being taken in terms of retaining the present windows and the provision of a museum.
- We have issued a "Project Justification Update" to reinforce the essential services being provided under this contract to support all future auctions.

General Progress Comments

We have tested the Whyteleafe / Wyndham House video conferencing link, it was a great success. It was good to see just how portable these systems have now become, they are as movable as a normal PC on a trolley.

We have placed an order with Pickering lifts, we will continue to be watchful of their delivery schedule, given the warnings we have received regarding their delivery performance.

The oil tank and generator have been relocated. The new positions have the benefit of removing a H&S trip hazard concern that would otherwise have needed to be addressed.

The strip out of the existing old M&E fixtures and fittings has taken place, an emergency exit staircase has been fabricated and new door access positions created.

We are pressing our project managers to produce copies of the signed contract, performance bond and cash flow forecasts.

UPDATED COST PLAN FOR THE NEW AUCTION FACILITIES

RA Code CAPITAL COST BUDGET

		(RSI Code)	
A001	IT infrastructure at Whyteleafe	73,000	(40)
		35,598	(34)
A002	Provision of data / voice (wide area network) circuits to both WH & Whyteleafe	51,739	(13)
A003	Provision of software and support services (WH and Whyteleafe)	151,936	(40)
		3,300	(40)
	Additional security software	9,770	(40)
		15,961	(17)
A004	Provision of IT software development (ditto)	300,000	(Greg)
A005	UPS Computer back-up battery system	36,190	
A006	Installation of additional BT circuits including cable ducts	42,788	(49)
			720,282

EAST WING ALTERATIONS

B001	Refurbishment of Whyteleafe (building costs)	905,000	
B002	Professional Fees	80,000	
B003	Furniture and fittings	60,000	
B004	Specialised Training Equipment (CCTA; Links to WH; Audio Visual and Conferencing facilities)	95,000	1,140,000

WYNDHAM HOUSE ADDITIONAL FIT OUT COSTS

C001	WH Additional engineering services & partitions 8th floor		100,000
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WHYTELEAFE MAIN BLOCK ALTERATIONS

D001	Creation of a larger IT back-up server room and toilet alterations		44,000
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Current Anticipated Project Final Cost

£2,004,282

ANNUAL IT RUNNING COSTS

Lease Costs

E001	ISDN 30s, Cellstream and Megastream Call & fixed ISDN 30 charges for Cellstream	84,234	(13)	
E002	Lease of four Sun Servers	79,500	(Greg)	
E003	Unified Hardware	117,774	(40)	
E004	Voice Recording	14,448	(40)	
E005	Lucent Index	9,672	(40)	
E006	Microwave back-up communications	34,008	(40)	
E007	Unified Hardware (additional items)	25,440	(49)	
E008	Line usage charges for additional ISDN 120 channels	24,000	(49)	
E009	Rent of 20 No PC's	25,200		414,276

Maintenance Costs

F001	Firewall, Unified Hardware, Lucent Index, Voice Recording and Microwave Radio Link	83,258		
F002	Sun server	17,000		100,258

Current Anticipated Lease and Maintenance Annual Cost £514,534

SUMMARY

Projected Anticipated Final Account excluding VAT & Annual Lease / Maintenance Running Costs £2,004,282

Projected Anticipated Final Account including VAT & Annual Lease / Maintenance Running Costs £2,959,608

The figure of £2,959,608 compares to the £2,900,000 submission to Minister for Whyteleafe. Not included is the additional funding requested to cover the Phase III fit out (£250k) and associated fees (£62k).

Since the submission to Minister an additional bidder requirement for two ISDN lines / bidder has been identified. The additional costs involved have been absorbed in the costs shown above.



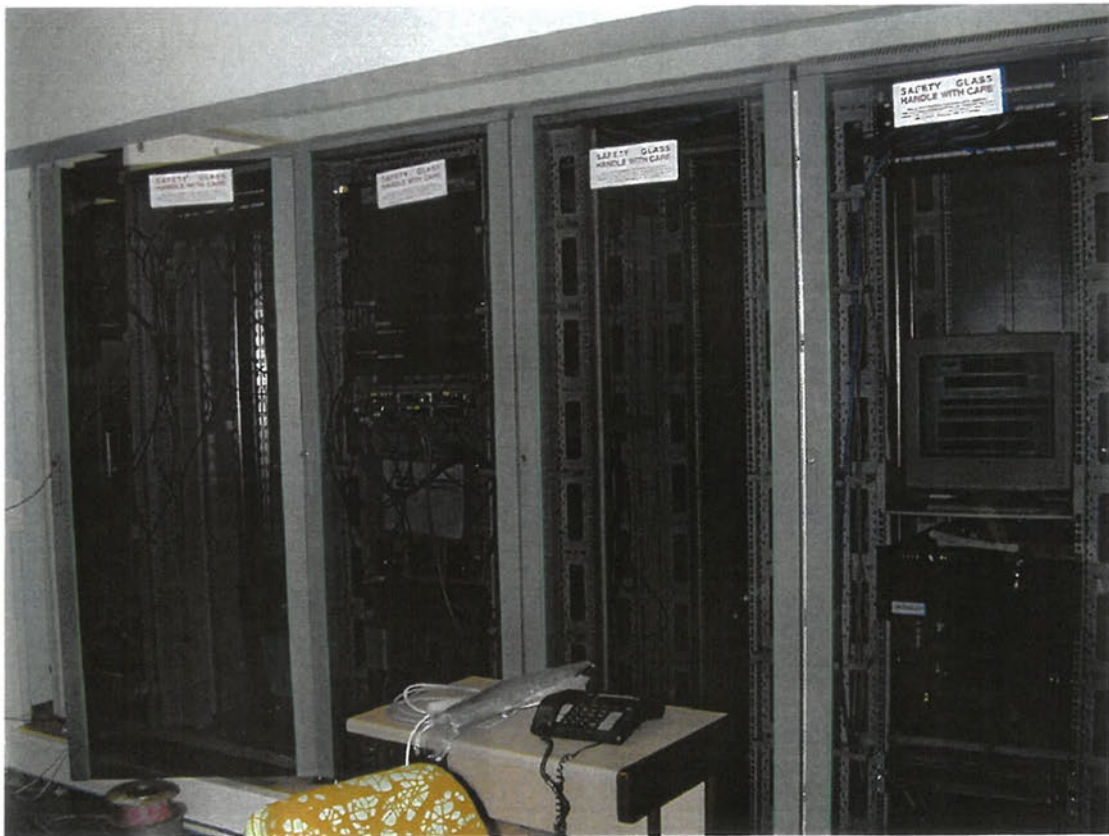
REAR VIEW SHOWING THE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY STAIRS



RELOCATED STANDBY OIL STORAGE TANK AND GENERATOR



NEW IT BACK-UP SERVER ROOM



NEW IT EQUIPMENT IN THE BACK-UP SERVER ROOM



NEW GROUND FLOOR TRAINING AREA



ROOF SPACE