

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE -

REPORT ON: LITERACY DELIVERY PARTNERS 2013-14

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR, LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 107-2013

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report details the request for continuation of Service Level Agreements with Dundee College and Craigowl Communities for the delivery of literacy support.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Approval is recommended for the continuation of the Service Level Agreement with Craigowl Communities (Tender Ref LTS/29/02/12) to deliver literacy services focused on employability; for the period 1 April 2013 – 31 March 2014, at the level of £26,000.
- 2.2 Approval is recommended for the continuation of the Service Level Agreement with Dundee College to deliver literacy services focused on those wishing to progress to College; for the period 1 April 2013 – 31 March 2014, at the level of £35,000.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The expenditure of £61,000 can be met from the 2013/14 Communities & Policy Division revenue budget.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 In consultation with partners, a Literacies Strategic Action Plan is in place for the period 2011-2014, this was approved in Committee Report No 203-2011.
- 4.2 Craigowl Communities were successful in tendering for literacy services focused on employability and were awarded the Service Level Agreement for the period 2012/13, with an option to extend for a further year, if they successfully met the outcomes detailed in the Service Level Agreement.
- 4.3 Craigowl Communities has met the outcomes of their Service Level Agreement. It is recommended to extend the current Service Level Agreement to 31 March 2014, based on past performance.
- 4.4 Dundee College has met the outcomes of their Service Level Agreement. It is recommended to continue the Service Level Agreement to 31 March 2014, based on past performance.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. No major issues have been identified.
- 5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out and will be made available on the Council website <http://www.dundee.gov.uk/equanddiv/equimpact/>.

6.0 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services and Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted on this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 Equality Impact Assessment.

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