

REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 10th FEBRUARY 2014
REPORT ON: SUPPLY OF PLANT & VEHICLES 2013/14
REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT
REPORT NO.: 63-2014

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek approval for the purchase of plant and vehicles as required by the Environment Department to maintain operational efficiency.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that Committee approve the purchase of the plant and vehicles listed in Appendix 1, at a total cost of £246,000.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The Director of Corporate Services advises that the above cost of £246,000 can be met from allowances within the Capital Budget – Vehicle Fleet – Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment for 2013/2014.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 An asset management review of plant and vehicles currently operated by the council has identified a number of items which are now due for replacement. The vehicles and equipment identified are either beyond economical repair, are reaching end of life and will incur excessive maintenance costs, or to ensure operational staff comply with Health & Safety guidelines. The purchase of the vehicles and plant will improve on-going operational efficiency and reduce workshop maintenance time.

- 4.2 The plant items are to be purchased through the Tayside Procurement Consortium, Grounds Maintenance Framework. Items on this framework were tendered to all known suppliers and the returns were then assessed and scored using a price/quality scoring system. Successful lots were then placed on the framework in ranked order. Items 3 and 5 in Appendix 1 were procured using a mini-competition under the terms and conditions of the Grounds Maintenance and Small Plant Framework.

The vehicles are to be purchased through the appropriate Scotland Excel Framework as detailed in Appendix 1. Particular consideration was given to operational needs, environmental impact, specification, reliability, performance, operator compatibility, after sales service including spare parts provision as well as user experience when selecting the appropriate equipment.

- 4.3 Various procurement options are considered when looking at replacements including purchase, leasing and hire. It was determined that outright purchase was the preferred option for these items taking into account whole life costs and the option to extend ownership beyond the scheduled life.
- 4.4 One of the items identified in the review is a Refuse Collection Vehicle that's lease expires at the end of March 2014. The most cost effective method to deal with this item is to buy out the residual lease fee, allow the items to continue in service and then trade the residual value against their eventual replacements. The vehicle, a 26T Dennis Eagle is required to ensure ongoing operational efficiency.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.
- 5.2 No major issues identified.

6.0 CONSULTATION

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

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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APPENDIX 1

Vehicle Required	Supplier	Location	Make	Model	Emissions	Qty	Tender Price £	Framework
Rolonoff	AM Philip	Forfar	Iveco	75E17K	Euro 5	1	£43,195	Scotland Excel Framework Heavy & Municipal Vehicles 02-13
Refuse Collection Vehicle	Unilink Finance Ltd	n/a	Dennis	Eagle Elite	Euro 4	1	£9,800	End of Lease buyout
Banks Mowers	Fairways	Kinross	Bobcat	48" SD Walkbehind	Not Available	4	£21,303	Tayside Procurement Consortium Groundcare Framework (TPC 123)
Small Vans	Clark Commercials	Dundee	VW	Caddy	139g/km	6	£77,734	Scotland Excel Framework Supply & Delivery of Light Commercial Vehicles
Large Rotary Mower	Fairways	Kinross	Jacobson	R311	Not Available	1	£36,168	Tayside Procurement Consortium Groundcare Framework (TPC 104)
Agricultural Banks Utility Tractor	Double AA	Cupar	Aebi	TT211	Not Available	1	£57,800	Tayside Procurement Consortium Ground care Framework (TPC 121)
TOTALS							£246,000	