

REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 10th MARCH 2014

REPORT ON: SUPPLY OF PLANT & VEHICLES 2014/15

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT

REPORT NO.: 124-2014

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 £89,331.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The Director of Corporate Services advises that the above cost of £89,331 can be met from allowances within the Capital Budget – Vehicle Fleet – Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment for 2014/2015.

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 or reaching end of lease agreement terms.
- 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.
- 4.3 The small vans listed in Appendix 1 are coming towards the end of their lease and are unable to be extended. The vans have been specially fitted out for their current use and they currently have relatively low mileage and are in good condition. The most cost effective method therefore to deal with these items is to buy out the residual lease fee, allow the items to continue in service for a set period and then trade the residual value against their eventual replacements.
- 4.4 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.

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
Tractor	Agricar	Forfar	New Holland	T50	Not Available	1	£50,625	Tayside Procurement Consortium Ground care Framework (TPC114)
Small Vans	Lex Autolease	n/a	Mercedes	Vito	238g/km	2	£11,881	End of Lease purchase
Small Vans	Leasedrive	n/a	Mercedes	Vito	238g/km	4	£26,825	End of Lease Purchase
TOTALS							£89,331	