REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

22 AUGUST 2005

REPORT ON: PURCHASE OF WEIGHBRIDGE EQUIPMENT

REPORT BY: HEAD OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

REPORT NO: 508-2005

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To seek authority to purchase upgraded weighbridge equipment for use at the three Licensed Waste Management Facilities within the Waste Management Department.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the committee accept the offer amounting to £90,675 received from Shering Weighing Limited, Dunfermline.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 This expenditure can be met from the Waste Management Department's 2005/06 Capital Budget.

4.0 DUNDEE 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Health is protected by creating a safe clean pleasant environment.
- 4.2 Pollution is limited to levels with which the natural systems can cope.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

5.1 Under Local Government Act 1988, suppliers were required to complete and return a questionnaire to ensure that their business complies fully with the Race Relations Act 1976. All companies listed comply fully with the Act.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

- 6.1 The Waste Management Department operates three Licensed Waste Management facilities for recycling various materials. These sites are located at Baldovie, Marchbanks and Riverside. The recording of the weights of each load into and from the site is a statutory requirement and is carried out by using drive-on weighbridges. Each of the three sites has different types of equipment and is in varying conditions. The equipment at Marchbanks is more than fifty years old.
- 6.2 It is proposed to replace this equipment and modernise each site with the latest technology. New software will also allow each of the three sites to transmit recorded information to a central point. This will provide a more efficient means of information analysis for National Waste Strategy statistics.
- The proposals at the Baldovie and Marchbanks sites will also allow Traffic Management Systems to be more safely configured to meet current and future site requirements.

- The Department sought tenders in July this year to seek the best and most cost effective equipment types. A summary of the tenders is attached.
- 6.5 The offer from Shering Weighing Limited conforms with the tender specification and is the most cost effective.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive
Depute Chief Executive (Finance)
Depute Chief Executive (Support Services)

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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Waste Management Department

Summary of Tenders

Tender - Ref:WMD/05/03

Tender ref.	Suppliers name & address	Description of goods	Purchase price	Delivery term	Comments
1	Shering Weighing Limited, Pitreavie Business Park, Dunfermline	Three sites upgrade	£90,675	5 weeks	Recommended
2	Avery Weigh-tronics Smethwick West Midlands	Three sites upgrade	£92,037	4-6 weeks	Does not include traffic control