2 BURNS AND HARRIS SITE REMEDIATION (AN12-2007)

Reference is made to Article III of the minute of meeting of this Committee on 13th November, 2006 when authority was granted to accept the most favourable tender for the demolition of the existing building.

Safedem Ltd were appointed to undertake the works for a cost of £127,721. When allowances of £35,000 are added, this gives a total expenditure of £162,721 to be funded from an allowance of £250,000 from the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund 2006/2007.

The Environmental Assessment of the Burns and Harris site is being undertaken by W A Fairhurst and Partners and the recommendations for remediation measures are expected prior to the end of 2006. To ensure that available finance is utilised in the current financial year, authority is sought for the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) to accept the most advantageous tender (as recommended by the City Engineer) for any remediation measures necessary to allow for the redevelopment of the site as soon as possible. The works will be funded from an allowance of £250,000 from the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund 2006/2007 and costs will be reported retrospectively to a future meeting of the Economic Development Committee.