

3 MENZIESHILL AREA MASTERPLAN – PROCUREMENT OF PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY/NHS FACILITY (AN13-2015)

Reference is made to Article IV of the minute of the meeting of the Education Committee of 26th November, 2012 and to Article XII of the minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee of 26th November, 2012 when the Committees considered Report No 445–2012 and agreed inter alia to build a replacement for Hillside and Gowriehill Primary Schools and Menzieshill Nursery School and consider options for the replacement of Menzieshill Community Centre on the sites of the former multi storey blocks between Dickson Avenue and Earn Crescent.

Subsequent to the above decision, NHS Tayside has intimated their desire to provide a range of medical services within the Menzieshill area co-located with the DCC community facilities. The NHS requirements are currently still being developed.

With the new schools and proposed community/NHS facility being built on adjacent plots, it would be expedient if both projects were designed and constructed with overlapping timescales using the same contractor.

The benefits of having one contractor deliver the new buildings over a similar timescale include:

- Single point responsibility for delivering whole campus over shortest timescale
- Allows opportunity to create one energy centre for campus (partnering with Ninewells Hospital under consideration)
- Facilitates co-ordination of the design, budget and programme for both projects
- Facilitates more efficient management of construction resources
- More cost efficient, bulk procurement, economies of scale

Reference is made to Article VII of the minute of the meeting of the City Development Committee of 24th February, 2014 when the Committee agreed to procure the construction of Sidlaw View Primary School and Jessie Porter Nursery School via the Scape Framework.

The advantages of using the Scape Framework include:

- allows use of in-house design teams
- utilises Robertson Construction Group Limited's expertise during design process assisting with cost certainty and value for money
- open book tendering
- commitment to maximising use of local sub-contractors
- commitment to deliver other community benefits

Accordingly, the Committee's authority is sought to procure the construction of the Menzieshill Nursery and Primary Schools and the Menzieshill Community/NHS facility via an award of contract through the Scape Framework to Willmott Dixon Capital Works Limited with Willmott Dixon Holdings Limited as Guarantor. In turn the performance obligations of the contract will then be sub-contracted to Robertson Construction Group Limited, with a report back to Committee on the details in due course.

