

3 SERVICE AND CALIBRATION CONTRACT FOR SOUND LEVEL METERS (AN44-2008)

In accordance with Dundee City Council's resolution to adopt Part 5 of The Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004, it is a requirement within said legislation that the Council's Night Time Noise Team use sound level meters to measure noise levels within affected properties prior to issuing a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Accuracy is paramount in this process and to ensure that the equipment is operating satisfactorily, it is necessary to have the meters serviced and calibrated at intervals of no greater than every two years. Calibration is now due and it is recommended that this service be provided by the original supplier of the equipment, Bruel and Kjaer.

The Scottish Government has allowed part of the funding allocation for Night Time Noise to be used to secure an extended warranty and calibration service on the equipment until 31st January, 2014.

The Committee is therefore asked to approve the purchase of this service to cover the existing equipment of 4x Bruel and Kjaer Sound Level Meters at the cost of £11,679.00.

This expenditure can be met from the Environmental Health and Trading Standards Department's 2007/2008 Capital Budget.