

2 DETAILED ASSESSMENT OF AIR QUALITY IN DUNDEE - APPOINTMENT OF SPECIALIST CONTRACTOR (AN541-2003)

On a reference to Article I of the minute of meeting of the Environmental and Consumer Protection Committee held on 16th June, 2003 wherein approval was given for the completion of a detailed assessment in respect of the air pollutants nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), particulates (PM₁₀) and sulphur dioxide (SO₂). It is reported that the City Council is in the process of undertaking an assessment in accordance with the National Air Quality Strategy, and that as such building height data is required in order to undertake the necessary pollutant dispersion modelling.

One specialist company (The GeoInformation Group) is able to provide the data in the appropriate format for the cost of £8,550. The GeoInformation Group has indicated that they will be able to give priority to the aerial survey in early spring. They require an immediate deposit of 50% of the costs, with the balance to be paid on completion of the work, in the next financial year.

Finance is available in the Department's 2003/04 and 2004/05 Capital Budgets.

The Committee is requested to approve the appointment of the GeoInformation Group to carry out this specialist work and the expenditure.