

7 PURCHASE OF AQUAPHASE EQUIPMENT (AN93-2016)

As part of the Health and Social Care Integration process a joint equipment loan service is being developed between Dundee City Council, Angus Council and NHS Tayside. Specialised washing equipment is being purchased which is of a similar type to that currently in place and is needed to increase the capacity beyond current arrangements. The Aquaphase is a specialist washing machine which cleans and decontaminates community equipment. Cleaning equipment using this machine enables them to be reused and reduces staff time in having to manually clean equipment. Market testing was carried out and due to the specialist nature of the equipment, approval for direct award was sought. The Aquaphase washing equipment will be owned by Dundee City Council and stored at the Joint Equipment Service store at Claverhouse.

The overall cost of replacing and installing the equipment of £60,245 will be met from allowances within the Capital Budget and Angus Council will be fully recharged.