

**REPORT TO: DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL EDUCATION COMMITTEE -
19 MARCH 2001**

**REPORT ON: MAINTENANCE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION EQUIPMENT
(EDU-01-342)**

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

REPORT NO: 185-2001

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval to accept a tender for the maintenance of physical education equipment for schools in Dundee and other sites in the former Tayside Region.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Education Committee award the contract for the maintenance of physical education equipment for the period 1 April 2001 to 31 March 2003 to:

2.2 Kinder Sports Ltd, 16 Cloberfield, Milngavie, Glasgow

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The estimated overall value of the contract is £80,684.00 (£26,500 for Dundee City Council) and the Directors of Education for Dundee City Council, Angus Council and Perth and Kinross Council have confirmed that expenditure will be met from within the respective Education revenue budgets for supplies and services.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The contractor is conscious of environmental issues and where practical materials supplied conform with Local Agenda 21 and meet all UK Health and Safety Standards.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None

6.0 BACKGROUND

6.1 Tenders were invited by means of national press advertisement for the maintenance of physical education equipment to schools in Dundee and other sites in the former Tayside Region.

6.2 Tenders were received from the following firms:

Kinder Sports Ltd, 16 Cloberfield, Milngavie, Glasgow
Alpha Leisure, Craigshaw Road, West Tullos, Aberdeen
Alba Pools, 1 Laurencekirk Business Park, Laurencekirk, Aberdeenshire

7.0 CRITERIA

7.1 The following criteria were applied in preparing the recommendation for the Education Committee's consideration:

- A Lowest cost of annual maintenance visits
- B Ability to provide a comprehensive service
- C Replacement materials at a low cost

8.0 CONCLUSION

8.1 The costs quoted by most potential contractors were found to be very competitive and represent good value for money, however it was the opinion of the three Councils that the Departments would be best served by a single contractor on the basis of technical expertise and support, ability to provide a comprehensive service and best value in respect of the cost of replacement materials and equipment. It was considered that the quote submitted by Kinder Sports Ltd best met these criteria. A breakdown of the schedule may be viewed at Dryburgh Education Resource Centre, Napier Drive, Dundee.

9.0 CONSULTATION

9.1 This report has been subject to consultation with the Director of Finance and the Director of Support Services.

10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50 D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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Director of Education

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