REPORT TO: EDUCATION COMMITTEE - 19 MARCH 2007

REPORT ON: SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF SYNERGY BRONZE RADIO

STUDIO EQUIPMENT & SOFTWARE AT LAWSIDE ACADEMY

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

REPORT NO: 186-2007

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report details an offer received and requests a decision of acceptance thereof.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Education Committee authorise acceptance of a quote submitted by Clyde Broadcast Products Ltd, 15 North Avenue, Clydebank Business Park, G81 2QP to supply and install 1 Synergy Bronze Radio Studio Equipment & Software at Lawside Academy. In addition, Clyde Broadcast Products Ltd will provide one day specific training for up to five staff on site. This will be led by a qualified Broadcast engineer supplied by Clyde Broadcast Products Ltd with specific expertise in the use of this specialised equipment and software technology. This training is in addition to the usual training and back up support provided by the company.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The value of the quote is £30,286.00 and the Director of Education has confirmed that the expenditure will be met from within the respective Education revenue budget for supplies and services.

4.0 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The supplier is conscious of environmental issues and where practical, materials supplied are compliant with the recommendations within Dundee City Council's sustainability policy and meet all UK Health and Safety Standards.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil

6.0 BACKGROUND

This purchase is part of the "Determined to Succeed strategy for enterprise in education "funded by the Scottish Executive to promote partnership working between Education Authorities, and is developed in partnership with Radio Clyde's Cash for Kids, the Hunter Foundation, Stagecoach and other supporters.

Owing to the unique nature of this requirement in respect of compatibility, the specialised equipment, software and training package, only one supplier can provide the goods and service as outlined.

Clyde Broadcast Productions Ltd is the sole provider of this specialist equipment and training required. The Broadcast system can be provided immediately and the installation will be carried out in conjunction with the department's Property Services division and in the knowledge of the Health and Safety Officer (Education)

There being no other suppliers it was agreed that on balance owing to the unique nature of the service being requested that only one supplier could fulfill our requirements.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 This report has been subject to consultation with the Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services)

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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28 February 2007

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