REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 9th JUNE 2014

REPORT ON: SUPPLY OF PLANT & VEHICLES 2014/15

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT

REPORT NO.: 237-2014

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval for the purchase of plant and vehicles to ensure the Corporate Fleet Asset is managed to continue to meet operational needs and ongoing efficiency.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that Committee approve the purchase of the plant and vehicles listed in Appendix 1, at a total cost of £839,154.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Director of Corporate Services advises that the above cost of £839,154 can be met from allowances within the Council's Capital Budget 2014/15 (p27) - Vehicle Fleet – Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 An asset management review of plant and vehicles currently operated by the council has identified a number of items which are now due for replacement. The vehicles and equipment identified are either beyond economical repair, are reaching end of life and will incur excessive maintenance costs. The purchase of the vehicles and plant will improve on-going operational efficiency and reduce workshop maintenance time.
- 4.2 The plant items are to be purchased through the Tayside Procurement Consortium, Grounds Maintenance Framework. Items on this framework were tendered to all known suppliers and the returns were then assessed and scored using a price/quality scoring system. Successful lots were then placed on the framework in ranked order.

The vehicles are to be purchased through the appropriate Scotland Excel Framework as detailed in Appendix 1. Particular consideration was given to operational needs, environmental impact, specification, reliability, performance, operator compatibility, after sales service including spare parts provision as well as user experience when selecting the appropriate equipment.

- 4.3 The refuse collection vehicles to be purchased form part of an ongoing replacement of this type of vehicle. The vehicles to be replaced are all in excess of 8 years old and are approaching the end of their useful life. A decision on the replacement of these vehicles has been kept open pending finalisation of the recently approved Recycling and Waste Collection Strategy, to ensure the replacement vehicles match the future operational requirements.
- 4.4 Various procurement options are considered when looking at replacements including purchase, leasing and hire. It was determined that outright purchase was the preferred option for these items taking into account whole life costs and the option to extend ownership beyond the scheduled life.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.
- 5.2 No major issues identified.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted in relation to this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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APPENDIX 1

Vehicle Required	Supplier	Location	Make	Model	Emissions	Qty	Tender Price £	Framework
E Gators	Double AA	Cupar	John Deere	TE Gator	Electric	3	27,795	Tayside Procurement Consortium Groundcare Framework
Gator	Double AA	Cupar	John Deere	TH 6x4 Gator	n/a	1	9,950	Tayside Procurement Consortium Groundcare Framework
Gator	Double AA	Cupar	John Deere	TS Gator	n/a	1	6,925	Tayside Procurement Consortium Groundcare Framework
Small Vans	Am Phillip	Forfar	Fiat	Work-up Cargo	133gkm	6	72,000	Scotland Excel Framework Supply & Delivery of Light Commercial Vehicles
Refuse Collection Vehicles	Dennis	Falkirk	Dennis	Elite 6x2 RS	Euro 6	5	708,975	Scotland Excel Framework Heavy & Municipal Vehicles 02-13
Cars	Arnold Clark	Dundee	Nissan	Leaf – Accenta	Electric	1	13,509	Scotland Excel Framework Supply & Delivery of Light Commercial Vehicles
TOTALS							£839,154	