

**REPORT TO:** Policy and Resources Committee - 16 April 2001  
**REPORT ON:** Purchase of Anti-Virus Software  
**REPORT BY:** Director of Information Technology (Acting)  
**REPORT NO:** 247-2001

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To seek Committee approval for acceptance of the recommended tenders for the supply of I.T. Anti-Virus Software for Corporate and Education sectors within Dundee City Council.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 The Committee is recommended to :

- i) approve acceptance of the Tender ITD/2001/03 amounting to £23,000 from Network Associates for the purchase of I.T. Software for Education sector detailed in Appendix 1;
- ii) approve acceptance of the Tender ITD/2001/03 amounting to £56,324 from Computer Security Technology Ltd for the purchase of I.T. Software for Corporate sector detailed in Appendix 1;

## **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 Provision for software with a value of £ 79,324 will be made from the I.T. Division 2001/2002 Revenue Budget.

## **4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 For the operation and maintenance of a wide range of I.T. equipment and support systems, consideration will be given in support of all service developments in line with the requirements of Local Agenda 21.

## **5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 During the implementation of I.T. equipment and services, ongoing consideration will be given to the Council's Equal Opportunities Policies in the preparation of any resultant new Divisional practices affecting I.T. staff duties and opportunities.

## **6.0 BACKGROUND**

6.1 The I.T. Software in the Education sector will be used to upgrade the existing Anti-Virus facilities and provide ongoing updated protection from computer viruses for the next three years.

6.2 The I.T. Software in the Corporate Departments will be used to replace the existing Anti-Virus facilities and provide ongoing updated protection from computer viruses for the next three years.

6.3 Six companies were invited to submit tenders (ITD/2001/03) for the Education software (3 year contract) detailed in Appendix 1; four were received, details being as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u>
Network Associates	£ 23,000
Computacenter	£ 57,921.96
Computer Security Technology Ltd	£ 61,329
Basilica Computing Ltd	£ 64,486.44

Of the four firms tendered the lowest cost tender for Education software is considered the most economically advantageous tender.

6.4 Six companies were invited to submit tenders (ITD/2001/03) for the Corporate software (3 year contract ) detailed in Appendix 1; four were received, details being as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Tender Amount</u>
Computacenter	£ 53,407.78 (incomplete)
Computer Security Technology Ltd	£ 56,324
Network Associates	£ 64,018
Basilica Computing Ltd	£ 61,762.42

Of the four firms tendered the lowest cost tender completed tender for corporate software is considered the most economically advantageous tender.

## 7.0 PROPOSAL

7.1 The successful tenders recommended for approval are considered to be the most advantageous and represent the lowest cost option purchases at this time.

## 8.0 CONSULTATION

8.1 The Chief Executive and Director of Finance have been fully consulted in the preparation of this report and are in full agreement with its proposals.

## NOTE

No background papers as defined by Section 50D 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).

Director of Information Technology (Acting)..... Date .....

## APPENDIX 1

ITD/2001/03

<b>Product Description - Education - 3 year Contract</b>	
Anti Virus Software for Workstations	3046
Anti Virus Software for File Servers / Gateway / E Mail Servers	62
On site Consultancy / Training / Implementation	10 Days

<b>Product Description - Corporate - 3 year Contract</b>	
Anti Virus Software for Workstations	2684
Anti Virus Software for File Servers / Gateway / E Mail Servers	135
On site Consultancy / Training / Implementation	10 Days