REPORT TO:ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 13th FEBRUARY 2012

REPORT ON:SUPPLY OF LAND SERVICES PLANT 2012

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT

REPORT NO.: 58-2012

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To authorise the purchase of replacement plant required by the Environment Department to maintain operational efficiency.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the purchase of the replacement plant and authorise the expenditure of £207,543.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Director of Finance advises that the above costs of £207,543 can be met through allowances within Environment Department's Capital Plan for 2011/2012.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 Following the formation of the new Environment Department, a review of all grounds maintenance activities including forestry and arboriculture operations have been undertaken. With the plant and equipment requirements in particular, cognisance has been taken of plant that is required to deliver a more efficient service and this will replace older less efficient and dilapidated equipment. This is reflected in the selection of the plant and equipment contained within the report.
- 4.2 The review identifies areas where plant and equipment may be reduced by the introduction of more efficient working practices, however to realise greater synergy and continuity service delivery the replacement of a number of remaining and new plant items is necessary.
- 4.3 There are no existing collaborative contracts available for this commodity, therefore the Environment Department through the Tayside Procurement Consortium (TPC), embarked on a collaborative procurement exercise with both Angus and Perth and Kinross Councils.
- 4.3.1 TPC carried out an OJEU compliant procurement process to appoint suppliers to a Framework Agreement which incorporated the combined ground maintenance plant requirements for all 3 councils. The tender was based on the Most Economically Advantageous Tender combing both quality and Price to ensure that "best value" was obtained in procuring the plant. Particular consideration was given to operational needs, specification,

reliability, performance, operator compatibility, after sales service including spare parts provision, as well as user experience. The recommendation for award of the contract was approved by the TPC Steering Group on 20 December 2011 and the contract has been awarded to a total of 12 suppliers covering 4 Lots and 106 different products.

4.3.2 Appendix 1 sets out the plant required by the Environment Service. The top ranked bidder has been used for each of the products.

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 The major issues identified are:
 - i) each prospective supplier has been assessed to ensure their business complies with the Race Relations Act 1975
 - ii) all plant will be subject to regular maintenance and testing throughout its operational life to ensure compliance with standards set.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Director of Finance have been consulted on the preparation of this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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Appendix 1

Purchase of Plant

Item	Supplier	Make/Model	Qty	Tender Price
Large Rotary Mower (TPC 104)	Fairways	Jacobsen R311	1	£35,607
Trailed Rotary Mower (TPC 97)	Double AA	Major TDR1600	1	£20,985
7 Gang Trailed Mower (TPC85)	Fairways	Ransome TG4650	1	£23,420
30-35HP Tractor/Backactor (TPC 63)	Double AA	John Deere 3320/Lewis	1	£32,726
Agricultural Forklift (TPC 106)	Agricar	Manitou MLT627T	1	£47,545
Hedgetrimmer (TPC6)	Angus Chainsaws	Stihl HS81R	29	£9,860
250cc Quad Bike cw spraying equip (TPC105)	Gammies	Honda Fourtrax 250S	4	£19,900
Bowling Green Mower (TPC22)	Henderson	Dennis Razor Ultra	5	£17,500
		Total		£207,543