

**REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
19 DECEMBER 2005**

REPORT ON: SUPPLY OF REPLACEMENT CUTTERS

REPORT BY: HEAD OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

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1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek authority to supply cutter replacements and other associated parts for the mattress and sprung furniture recycling unit at the Baldovie Waste Recycling & Processing Plant within the Waste Management Department.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the committee accept the offer from Martin Environmental Ltd, Ballyclare amounting to £23,450.76.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The total cost of the parts (including delivery & installation) is £23,450.76.
- 3.2 Provision for this expenditure has been made in the Waste Management Department's Capital Budget for 2005-06.

4.0 DUNDEE 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Health is protected by creating a safe clean pleasant environment.
- 4.2 Pollution is limited to levels with which the natural systems can cope.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 5.1 Under the Local Government Act 1988, suppliers were required to complete and return a questionnaire to ensure that their business complies fully with the Race Relations Act 1976. All companies listed comply fully with the Act.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

- 6.1 The Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Plant at Baldovie handles around 35,000 tonnes (annually) of skip and bulky waste. This material is sorted into combustible fuel for the DERL Waste to Energy Plant and recycles (including metals, aggregates, glass and soil). Residues to landfill are minimised.
- 6.2 The mattress and sprung furniture recycling unit forms part of an overall system for waste processing and recycling. This equipment makes a considerable contribution to the amount of material which is recycled and diverted from disposal to landfill. In order to maintain optimum performance, the primary shredder now requires a replacement sets of cutters. The existing cutters will be returned to the company for refurbishment and will be discounted against the price of the new set.

As the parts are specifically designed and manufactured by the shredder supplier it is not possible to seek tenders for these elsewhere, and therefore they have been treated as specialist suppliers. The technical staff at Baldovie Recycling Plant have recently received training from the shredder company and can now assist with the cutter replacements. This will reduce the cost of the associated labour.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 The Chief Executive
Depute Chief Executive (Finance)
Depute Chief Executive (Support Services)

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

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