

**REPORT TO: PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
1 DECEMBER 2003**

**REPORT ON: PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFORMATION SYSTEM SMARTBUS – REPORT  
ON TENDERS**

**REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION**

**REPORT NO: 776-2003**

## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 This report details a tender received and requests a decision on acceptance thereof.

## **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 Approval is recommended of the acceptance of the tender submitted by the undernoted contractors:

<b>Project Reference/Project Description</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Tender Amount</b>
<b>P&amp;T 03/26/05</b> – Real Time Public Transport Information System	Advanced Communications & Information Systems Ltd (ACIS)	£2,493,000

## **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The cost of the above project will be met in full from the Scottish Public Transport Fund allocation for Smartbus.

## **4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The aims of Local Agenda 21 will be taken into consideration throughout the 'Bringing Confidence into Public Transport' project. The components of the Real Time Information System are aimed at informing the public and encouraging modes of transport other than the car and as such, will contribute to the protection of Dundee's environment.

## **5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The City Council acknowledges the dominance of the private car within its transport network. The promotion of public transport by measures included within this report aims to move towards redressing the balance of large numbers of the city's population who do not have access to the private car or who choose to undertake travel by other means.

## **6 BACKGROUND**

6.1 Committee Report No 384-2001 approved at Planning and Transportation Committee on 25 June 2001 detailed a bid for funding to the Scottish Executive from their Public Transport Fund for improvements to public transport passenger waiting and information facilities throughout the City. The project is titled Smartbus and was successful in gaining £6.77 million from the PTF.

6.2 A key element of the project is an improvement in information provision utilising a Real Time Public Transport Information System and this report details tenders received for this element of the project.

## 7 TENDER INFORMATION

### 7.1 Tenders

Tenders were issued to six companies and five have returned and are detailed below:

- 1 Advanced Communications & Information Systems Ltd (ACIS)
- 2 Ined Systems
- 3 Jasmin Simtec Ltd
- 4 Peek Traffic Ltd
- 5 Solari Di Udine SPA

#### Summary of Assessment

Tenderer No	Quality Mark	Indexed Quality Mark	Financial 'Score' (£)	Financial Index	Overall Score
1	81.3	100	2,493,000.00	89	98
2	76.8	94	2,220,373.43	100	96
3	56.9	70	2,755,112.74	81	72
4	61.75	76	3,453,875.90	64	74
5	69.5	85	2,418,655.21	92	87

Notes:

- Tenders assessed on an 80% quality and 20% price format
- Indices rounded to nearest whole number.
- Overall score = [(Indexed Quality Mark) x 0.8] + [Financial Index) x 0.2]
- Award to highest overall score

## 8 CONSULTATIONS

- 8.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services and the Director of Corporate Planning have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

## 9 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 Committee Report No 384-2001 to Planning & Transportation Committee 25 June 2001, Public Transport Fund Bid 2001-03.

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