## REPORT TO: PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – 1 DECEMBER 2003

REPORT ON: BETTER NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES FUND – FOOTPATH REPAIRS IN HILLTOWN AND KIRKTON

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

**REPORT NO:** 784-2003

## 1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval for the establishment of Partnering Arrangement for implementing the footpath improvement works in the Hilltown and Kirkton areas.

## 2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 Approval is sought for:
  - a) the Director of Planning and Transportation to negotiate a contract not exceeding £200,000 under a partnering arrangement with Tayside Contracts; and
  - b) the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Transportation to issue an acceptance for this contract.

#### **3** FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The costs of £200,000 can be met from the Better Neighbourhood Services Fund (BNSF) 2003/2004 allocation to Dundee City Council from the Scottish Executive.

#### 4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Sustainable working practices will be used in the works.

## 5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The improved condition of paths will benefit the elderly, the less ambulant and parents with prams.

#### 6 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 Reference is made to Article IV of the Minute of the Policy and Resources Committee of 10 November 2003 when approval was given for undertaking improvement works to footpaths in Hilltown and Kirkton areas.
- 6.2 In order to ensure that these works are carried out within the current financial year it is proposed to enter into a Partnering Agreement with Tayside Contracts.
- 6.3 The City Engineer will negotiate an Agreed Maximum Price for these works with Tayside Contracts based on the Annual Schedule of Rates to ensure that expenditure on these works are contained within the overall available finance of £200,000.

6.4 Further consultation with the Director of Housing and appropriate resident and community groups will be carried out on the implementation of these works.

# 7 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Director of Housing and Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

## 8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.

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