

**REPORT TO:** EDUCATION COMMITTEE – 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2003

**REPORT ON:** Blackness Primary School – Boiler Replacement  
Extension to Contract  
Contract Nr.03-7342

**REPORT BY:** City Architectural Services Officer

**REPORT NO:** 802-2003

**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To obtain approval for extending the existing contract.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That approval be given for extending the existing contract and incurring estimated additional expenditure of approximately £18,000.

**3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The Depute Chief Executive (Finance) has stated that the additional expenditure can be funded from the Education Department's Capital Budget 2003/2004.

**4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None.

**5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None.

**6.0 ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE**

6.1 Reference is made to Article IV of the minute of the meeting of the Education Committee held on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2003 when expenditure of £130,000 was approved in respect of boiler replacements at Blackness Primary School and Bellfield Nursery and authority was granted to negotiate partnering contracts with appropriate contractors.

6.2 Subsequently, Taylor Mechanical Services were appointed to carry out the work at Blackness Primary School at an overall cost of £98,379. Within the reported cost of £98,379 an allowance of £6,000 was made for the inspection of the chimney and the removal of asbestos. The inspection of the chimney revealed that renewal of the cope and repairs to the underlying stonework was required. The removal of asbestos was also more than originally envisaged and the incoming gas supply also required upgrading. The additional cost of these works is in the region of £18,000 inclusive of an allowance for professional services.

**7.0 CONSULTATIONS**

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executives (Finance and Support Services) and the Director of Education have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

**8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 8.1 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.

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