REPORT TO: EDUCATION COMMITTEE – 18TH NOVEMBER, 2002

REPORT ON: VARIOUS SCHOOLS – TOILET UPGRADING & CLASSROOM ALTERATIONS

REPORT BY: Director of Education and City Architectural Services Officer

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1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 This report seeks approval for the upgrading of toilets in four schools, classroom alterations to form a resources base in one school and provision of additional toilet accommodation for staff at a resources centre.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 Approval is recommended of:
 - a) the upgrading of toilets at Baldragon Academy, Harris Academy, Craigie High School and Menzieshill High School.
 - b) formation of a resource base within Gowriehill Primary School.
 - c) provision of additional staff toilet facilities at Dryburgh Resource Centre.
 - d) The City Architectural Services Officer being authorised to negotiate contracts within the overall allowance of £224,000 under partnering arrangements with appropriate contractors and the Director of Support Services in conjunction with the Director of Education to accept the offers recommended by the City Architectural Services Officer

all at a total cost not exceeding £224,000 inclusive of fees.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Director of Finance has stated that the toilet upgradings and additional toilet facilities totalling £200,000 can be met from the Education Department's Capital Budget and the £24,000 required for the resources base at Gowriehill Primary School can be met from the Education Department's Inclusion Budget 2002/2003.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 a) Resources are used efficiently and waste is minimised.
 - b) Health is protected by creating safe, clean, pleasant environments.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None.
- 6.0 **REPORT**
- 6.1 It is intended that the works to the six properties concerned are completed before the end of this financial year and to meet this timescale it is proposed that the works be carried out by a partnering process.
- 6.2 The Council has successfully complete a number of projects by partnering and, for these works, appropriate contractors will be selected.

7.0 **CONSULTATIONS**

The Director of Finance and the Director of Support Services 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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