

7 VACANT AND DERELICT LAND FUND PROGRAMME 2005/2006; ALSO CONTRACT EXTENSION 2004/2005 (AN198-2005)

Reference is made to Article X of this Committee of 15th November, 2004 that indicated the locations where it was proposed to use the £2m offered by the Scottish Executive via the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund for 2004/2005. This was the first year of a two year £4m programme.

The Scottish Executive have agreed a draft programme for 2005/2006, many items are carried forward from 2004/2005 or completing items started in 2004/2005. The projects proposed are:

- (a) Peripheral locations - completing works at Trottick Village Green, Longhaugh Quarry, Whitfield and Baldovie; carrying out major advance works on sustainable urban drainage to enable a variety of sites in Whitfield to be developed for housing more easily; purchase of vacant land at Drumgeith Road that might be necessary for the sustainable urban drainage scheme for Whitfield; removal of some of the dereliction at Dunsinane Industrial Estate.
- (b) Inner City locations - completing the acquisition and demolition of the vacant or derelict properties on the sites targeted in 2004/2005, in the Hilltown and Stobswell areas; undertaking improvement on sites started in 2004/2005; grant assisting works to enable development of vacant land at James Street; grant assist environmental works at Carnegie Street to support the approved housing development; grant assist demolition and listed facade retention of the vacant factory at Arbroath Road, acquire and demolish property to the rear of Albert street and carry out improvement works; demolish buildings and yard at Erskine Street to make available for development.

Contract Extension 2004/2005

Given the short period remaining to the end of the financial year 2004/05 and the need to maximise spend from the Derelict Land Fund 2004/2005 the Committee's attention is drawn to the following:-

Additional demolition works were instructed to be carried out by Safedem Ltd as an extension to the contract for, and based upon demolition rates for Wallace Land O'Cakes as reported to the Planning and Transportation Committee on 25th October, 2004.

Additional Works - Safedem Ltd

98 Alexander Street - Demolition	£21,500.00
Jamaica Works - Site Clearance	£29,107.00
Crescent Lane - Demolition	£2,425.00

Approval of Dundee Contract Services to undertake the following works based on a Schedule of Rates.

Additional Works - Dundee Contract Services

6-8 Alexander Street - Landscaping - £20,781.32
Harriet Street - Post Demolition Treatment and Landscaping

These works took the contract beyond 10% additional costs. The Committee is asked to approve these works.

The Committee is asked to approve this programme.