

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 8 JANUARY 2007

**REPORT ON: SHORE TERRACE - SECOND SECURE COMPUTER FACILITY (PARTNERING)
(05-611)**

**REPORT BY: HEAD OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND CITY ARCHITECTURAL
SERVICES OFFICER**

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval to carry out the alteration works to provide a second secure computer facility for the Information Technology Division.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Committee is asked to approve:

- i) the internal alterations required to form a second secure computer facility at Shore Terrace, Dundee for the Information Technology Division at an estimated total cost of £600,000 inclusive of professional fees.
- ii) that the City Architectural Services Officer be authorised to negotiate a contract within the overall allowance of £600,000 under a partnering arrangement with Scan Building Services Ltd, Dundee and that the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) issue an acceptance for this contract.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Head of Finance has confirmed that the estimated total cost of £600,000 will be met over two years (2006/07 and 2007/08) from the following sources:-

	<u>£000</u>
Corporate Risk Management Budget	£50
Chief Executive's Capital Budget	<u>£550</u>
<u>Total resources</u>	<u>£600</u>

4.0 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The IT division has developed and implemented an ICT consolidation strategy which minimises the requirement to purchase and consume ICT resources. This strategy promotes the use of thin client devices which consume less power and have a longer useful life.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 During the implementation of I.T. equipment and services, ongoing consideration will be given to the Council's Equal Opportunities Policies in the preparation of any resultant new Divisional practices affecting I.T. staff duties and opportunities.

6.0 BACKGROUND

6.1 The Policy and Resources Committees of 13 February 2006 approved Report No 151-2006 on the ICT Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery (BC/DR) Plans.

6.2 The recommendations in the report included a proposal to develop a second secure computer facility at 8 City Square for the purposes of Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery.

- 6.3 Further to this report a more suitable site has been identified at Shore Terrace and it is proposed to develop the facility at this location. It is considered opportune to incorporate a new electricity sub-station to serve the entire City Square complex at this time and a quotation of £50,000 has been received from Scottish & Southern Energy for this additional work.
- 6.4 The nature and extent of the work was assessed together with the recent performance and availability of local contractors and as a result it is proposed that the City Architectural Services Officer enters into a partnering arrangement with Scan Building Services Ltd, Dundee within the overall allowance of £600,000 allocated as follows:

	<u>£,000</u>
Construction Works, will not exceed	495
Allowances for :	
statutory approvals and professional services	55
new electricity sub-station serving the entire City Square complex	<u>50</u>
TOTAL	<u>600</u>

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, the Head of Finance and the Depute Chief Executives (Finance and Support Services) have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 Policy and Resources Committee of 13 February 2006, Report No 151-2006.

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