

REPORT TO: PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
REPORT ON: NETHERGATE EI'S – PRE-PURCHASE OF MATERIALS
REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION
REPORT NO: 389-2001

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To authorise the pre-purchase of materials for the Environmental Improvement works at Littlewoods frontage and High Street entry.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that:

a the quotations from:

- (i) A D Sutherland, Caithness of £41,027.50;
- (ii) Fyfe Glenrock, Aberdeenshire of £16,959.37; and
- (iii) Jones of Oswestry, Shropshire of £13,978.10 be accepted

b the overall expenditure of £71,964.97 is authorised.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The total costs for the overall project are estimated at £240,000 which will be funded as follows:

Lend Lease	£100,000
Scottish Enterprise Tayside	£65,000
Dundee City Council	<u>£75,000</u>
Total	£240,000

The Council's contribution of £75,000 in the financial year 2001/2002 is included within the current approved Financial Plan for the financial year 2001/2002.

3.2 The cost of the pre-purchase of materials is estimated at £71,964.97 and these will be met from within the overall project costs detailed in paragraph 3.1.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Completion of the Environmental Improvement works in this area will build on the success of the regeneration of the City Centre area and will assist in addressing the following Key Theme of Dundee 21:

“places, spaces and objects combine meaning and beauty with utility”

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The proposed Environmental Improvements works will make provision for disabled access.

6 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 As part of the ongoing streetscape improvements in the City Centre, proposals have been prepared for the footway along the frontage of Littlewoods shop on the west entry to the High Street. The estimated overall cost of the project is £240,000.00.
- 6.2 As part of the planning process agreement was reached with Lend Lease that they would contribute £100,000.00 to the cost plus some materials remaining from their building works. The £100,000.00 is available until the end of December 2001.
- 6.3 SET are contributing £65,000.00 to the project with the Council funding the remaining £75,000.00 with these expenditures budgeted for in 2001.
- 6.4 It is hoped to complete the bulk of the works onsite before the Christmas shopping period at the beginning of December. This requires the earliest start on site, immediately after the trades holiday.
- 6.5 Certain materials for the project have a long delivery period and to allow the programme to be met it is recommended that these materials be pre-ordered to ensure the Contractor, when appointed, can begin work without delay. Quotations for the supply of these materials have been received as follows:

A D Sutherland	£41,027.50
Fyfe Glenrock	£16,959.37
Jones of Oswestry	<u>£13,978.10</u>
Total	£71,964.97

- 6.6 The tender for the works is to be returned during the Council recess. It is proposed to report on these to a recess sub-committee in July 2001. This will allow the contract to be let in July and thereby achieve the intended start on site.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services, Director of Corporate Planning, Director of Planning & Transportation and Convener of Planning & Transportation Committee, have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

In view of the timescales involved this report was approved by the Director of Planning & Transportation in consultation with the Convener and spokespersons from the opposition groups.

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Spokesperson for Major Opposition Group Date

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