

REPORT TO: LEISURE, ARTS AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 14 SEPTEMBER 2009

REPORT ON: CAMPERDOWN PARK - CAFE/VISITOR/EDUCATION CENTRE
Contract Nr 09-004

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities and City Architectural Services Officer

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report details the tenders received and requests a decision on acceptance thereof.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Approval is recommended of (1) the acceptance of the Agreed Maximum Price submitted by Dundee Contract Services in the amount of £850,000 and (2) allowances amounting to £160,000, giving a total cost of £1,010,000

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Head of Finance has stated that the project costs of £1,010,000 can be met from the Leisure and Communities Capital Plan 2009-2012.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

4.2 The building has been designed to be fully accessible and to be environmentally sustainable where possible.

There are no major policy issues.

5.0 TENDER REPORT

5.1 Reference is made to the meeting of the Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee of 26 January 2009 which approved report 78-2009 giving an update on the progress of this project. The development of the operational brief required amendments to the original proposals but the design has now been formalised. The works comprise construction of a new single storey structure within Camperdown Park to provide an integrated Cafe/Visitor/Education Centre. The building is steel framed with timber and glass infill, 320 square metres floor area with an aluminium pitched roof and incorporates extensive security features. Accommodation includes a reception/display area, cafe for a minimum of 80 covers with preparation and serving facilities and an education/exhibition area together with toilets, storage space and a draught lobby at the entrance. Extensive landscaping works are also included.

5.2 In accordance with the Council's Construction Procurement Policy, Dundee Contract Services indicated they had the resources to carry out the construction work for this project and were invited to enter into a partnering contract. The price negotiated with Dundee Contract Services is considered to be comparable with tender prices which would have been anticipated for this work.

5.3 The Agreed Maximum Price is recommended for acceptance and if agreed to it brings out the following:-

Several Works -	Construction	£750,000	
	Landscaping	£100,000	
	Agreed Maximum Price		£850,000
Allowances for:			
	Heavy goods, chairs, tables etc.	£60,000	
	Statutory Approvals, CDM Co-ordinator and Professional Services	£100,000	£160,000
	Total Project Cost		£1,010,000

5.4 In addition to the construction works, seven firms were invited to submit a pre-qualification questionnaire for the catering franchise. Returns were examined and scored identifying three contractors who are to be invited to tender. Bids will be evaluated which may require the contractors to be interviewed and it is anticipated this process will be completed by mid October 2009.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

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

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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