

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee - 21 August 2006

REPORT ON: Baxter Park Restoration Plan - Railings for Play Area

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

REPORT NO: 465-2006

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval for the fabrication and installation of perimeter railings to the new Play Area at Baxter as part of the park's Restoration Plan.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

The committee is recommended to:

2.1 Accept the quote of £21,235 from P&G Blacksmiths and Fabricators for the fabrication and installation of perimeter railings for the new Play Area at Baxter Park.

2.2 Approve a 5% contingency sum of £1,062 to be added to the project sum giving a total cost of £22,297.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The railings for the Play Area are part of Baxter Park Restoration Plan which is funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, Historic Scotland and the Leisure and Communities Department.

The total cost of the Baxter Park Restoration project is £3,558,000 and will be funded as follows:

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| Heritage Lottery Fund | 2,839,000 |
| Historic Scotland | 275,000 |
| Web project | <u>10,000</u> |
| | £3,124,000 |
| Leisure and Communities Department Capital Budget 2001/02 – 2006/07 | <u>434,000</u> |
| | <u>£3,558,000</u> |

The expenditure detailed in this report will be met from the above.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The restoration of Baxter Park will ensure that resources are used efficiently and waste is minimised. It will also confirm that diversity of nature is valued and protected and that local needs are met locally. It will also make sure that opportunities for culture, leisure and recreation are readily available to all and that places, spaces and objectives can combine beauty with utility.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

5.1 Every opportunity will be taken within the Baxter Park Restoration Plan to make it a more family friendly and barrier free city park.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

- 6.1 Reference is made to Report Number 392-2006 dated 20 June 2005 when the Committee approved the installation of a play area in Baxter Park.
- 6.1 The works comprise the installation of a perimeter fencing around the play area to provide a secure and safe environment for the users and the exclusion of dogs.
- 6.2 The four companies who were asked to submit a tender for the work were as follows:

| Contractor | Returned Tender |
|--|------------------------|
| P&G Blacksmiths & Fabricators | £21,235 |
| Fenwick Blacksmiths Ltd | £22,722 |
| P Johnson & Company, Ratho Byres Forge | £65,050 |
| Mihai Cocris | No Quote Submitted |

- 6.3 It is recommended that the Committee approve the appointment of P&G Blacksmiths & Fabricators as they have provided the lowest tender and they have a proven track record of working with the City Council in public parks.
- 6.4 The Committee is also asked to approve a contingency of £1,062 due to the nature of the work.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

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