

REPORT TO : Social Work Committee - 16 September 2002
REPORT ON : Strathmore Avenue Cottages - Demolition
REPORT BY : City Architectural Services Officer
REPORT NO: 701-2002

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1. This report seeks approval for the demolition of the fire damaged cottages at Strathmore Avenue.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1. Approval is recommended of;

- (a) the demolition of the cottages at Strathmore Avenue damaged in a recent fire.
- (b) the City Architectural Services Officer, in conjunction with the City Engineer, being authorised to negotiate a contract not exceeding £20,000 (inclusive of an allowance for professional fees) under a partnering arrangement with an appropriate contractor and the Director of Support Services, in conjunction with the Director of Social Work, to accept the offer recommended by the City Architectural Services Officer.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1. The Director of Finance has stated that the cost of the works can be met from the Social Work Department's Capital Budget for 2002/2003.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1. Resources are used efficiently, waste is minimised and health is protected by creating safe, clean environments. Suitable demolition material will be crushed and re-used on future contracts.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1. None.

6.0 REPORT

6.1. The cottages at Strathmore Avenue sustained damage in a recent fire and the occupants have been moved to alternative accommodation. The vacant, fire damaged property will be prone to vandalism and demolition of the property is recommended.

6.2 It is proposed that the City Architectural Services Officer enters into a partnering arrangement with an appropriate contractor to complete the demolition work within the allowance of £20,000.

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Directors of Finance and Social Work, and the City Engineer, have been consulted on the contents of this report.

8.0. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 8.1 Unless otherwise stated no background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

City Architectural Services Officer
11th September 2002

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