

REPORT TO: Housing Committee – 19 March 2001

REPORT ON: Tender for Carrier & Removal Contract – 2001/2006

REPORT BY: Director of Housing

REPORT NO.: 759-2000

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. It is recommended that Committee accept the tender submitted by Tayside Removals for the 5 year period commencing April 2001.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. This contract can be financed from the Housing Revenue Account.

4. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. None.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. None.

6. TENDER REPORT

- 6.1. Every 3 years tenders are invited for the contract of carrier & removals to the Housing Department. It has been decided that, in the interests of continuity and financial planning, the contract be extended to 5 years. The work involved includes collection and storage of the goods of homeless persons, collection and storage of goods in abandoned houses and, at evictions, household removals and decants. It should be noted that the collection and storage of the goods of homeless persons is a statutory duty in terms of Section 36 of Part II of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.
- 6.2. Tenders were invited for the 5 year period April 2001, to March 2006, by advertisement in the local press. One tender was returned as follows:

Contractor	Daytime Rate	Out of Hours Rate
Tayside Removals, 57 Fintryside, Dundee.	£27.50	£27.50

6.3. The hourly rate contained in Tayside Removals' tender represents a 77% increase on the previous rate of £15.50. Acceptance of Tayside Removals' tender is recommended for the following reasons.

6.3.1. Tayside Removals have held the contract for the past 14 years. Over this period they have provided an outstanding service, both in terms of efficiency and reliability.

6.3.2. The handling and storage of peoples' goods requires a high level of trust between client and contractor. Tayside Removals have demonstrated that they are an extremely trustworthy organisation.

7. **CONSULTATION**

7.1. The Chief Executive, Director of Support Services, Director of Finance and Chief Corporate Planning Officer have been consulted on the contents of this report.

8. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None.

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