

### **3 BROUGHTY FERRY LIBRARY - PROCUREMENT OF PROPOSED UPGRADE AND EXTENSION (AN48-2016)**

Committee members may be aware consultations for the 2008/2011 and 2012/2016 Local Community Plan had highlighted the need for more community space for all ages in Broughty Ferry.

A feasibility study undertaken in 2012/13 confirmed that the preferred option was to build an extension to the Broughty Ferry Library. In addition, part funding of £346,000 has been included in the Capital Plan 2016-2021 towards the project costs.

Leisure and Culture Dundee have also been asked to take the lead role in sourcing matched funding from external sources. To maximise opportunities to access external funding an agreed design and cost plan will require to be included with any submission.

Members will recall that the Council are currently very successfully procuring other construction projects through the Scape Framework. Under the Scape National Minor Works Framework the contractor, in this case Kier Construction, is committed to providing an initial service for concept design and cost planning that will allow Leisure and Culture Dundee to apply for external funding from a variety of sources.

Should an application for external funding be successful, a fully scoped design and cost for the works would then be produced prior to seeking approval from committee to proceed to the construction stage. Following completion of construction, the extension would be owned by Dundee City Council and leased to Leisure and Culture Dundee.

Kier Construction are a highly experienced contractor in all aspects of building and civil engineering. It should be noted that until 2009 Kier Construction used the services of TCA (The Consulting Association). Kier Construction have openly acknowledged that TCA was unlawful in various respects and made a full public apology. Kier have confirmed that Blacklisting is contrary to Kier's policy of conducting its business in a responsible and ethical manner. Kier does not condone blacklisting in any form. Kier will continue to work together with the trade unions to ensure that it provides the highest standards of employment and HR practice for its workforce.

The Committee's authority is sought to use the Scape National Minor Works Framework to progress the Broughty Ferry Library extension.