

REPORT TO: EDUCATION COMMITTEE – 26 JANUARY 2009

REPORT ON: PPP SCHOOLS – PROCUREMENT OF FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND CITY ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES OFFICER

REPORT NO: 20-2009

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report seeks approval to incur additional expenditure on the supply and fitting of furniture and equipment in the schools in the PPP Project.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) approve the updated tender cost of £1,500,471.29 with KM Furniture Limited (trading as EFM) together with the revised allowances for additional expenditure on professional services and the supply and fitting of furniture and equipment amounting to £459,195.89 giving a total revised cost of £1,959,667.18, being an overall increased cost of £87,050.60; and
- (ii) note that where required under Standing Orders reports on the additional expenditure will be made to Committee once firm prices are obtained.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of procuring and fitting the furniture and equipment in the PPP schools can be met from the provision of £1.96m in the approved Capital Plan.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The 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 There are no major issues.

5.0 REVISED ESTIMATE

5.1 Reference is made to Article II of the minute of the meeting of the Education Committee of 10 December 2007 when Report No 604-2007 was approved authorising the acceptance of a tender for furniture and equipment of £1,362,353.02 from KM Furniture Limited (trading as EFM) and allowances for additional expenditure on professional services and the supply and fitting of furniture and equipment amounting to £510,263.56, giving a total cost of £1,872,616.58.

5.2 Following the fitting-out of the first schools in the project the estimated cost has now been revised to incorporate the following:

- changes to design reducing amount of fixed furniture and increasing amount of loose furniture;
- bespoke furniture required for additional support needs in three schools;
- finalisation of fit-out arrangements for individual schools (that are dependent on school input); and
- additional sports equipment to facilitate community use.

5.3 The overall estimated cost has increased by £87,050.60 from £1,872,616.58 to £1,959,667.18 with the revised cost built up as follows:

KM Furniture Limited (t/a EFM)		£1,500,471.29
Professional Services (Architectural Services Division)		25,000.00
Dovetail Enterprises Limited		67,263.56
		£1,592,734.85
Speakers/Sound/Light Equipment	£26,003.92	
Catering Equipment	36,207.34	
Fitness Equipment	45,625.36	
Furniture Maintenance System	8,077.85	
Telephone System	140,000.00	
Relocation/fitting of existing equipment	75,401.00	
Miscellaneous equipment	35,616.86	
		£366,932.33
		£1,959,667.18

5.4 Where required under Standing Orders, reports on the additional items listed in Section 5.3 above will be made to Committee once firm prices are obtained.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

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

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Reference is made to Article II of the minute of the meeting of the Education Committee of 10 December 2007 when Report No 604-2007 was approved.

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