WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development

Tendering Committee: 14 January 2009

Subject: Boquhanran House HFE, Clydebank – Fire Upgrade

1. Purpose

1.1 To advise the Committee of tenders received for the Boquhanran House HFE, Clydebank – Fire Upgrade project and to seek approval to accept the most economically advantageous tender.

2. Background

2.1 Tenders for the project were received on 29 October 2008 from three contractors.

3. Main Issues

3.1 The works comprise the removal of existing doors and their associated frames and replacement with new hardwood fire resistant doorsets in order to comply with recent changes to fire legislation for residential establishments.

4. Personnel Issues

- **4.1** Design and Quantity Surveying services are being carried out in-house by the Architectural Services Section of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development.
- **4.2** CDM Regulations compliance is being undertaken by CDM Scotland Ltd. who were appointed to act as CDM Coordinator for the Council.

5. Financial Implications

- **5.1** The lowest tender has been checked arithmetically and represents good value by current pricing levels. Adjustments have been made where appropriate in accordance with the code of tendering procedure (see Appendix 1 Statement of Tenders Received).
- **5.2** This project will be funded from the Social Work Fire Capital Budget.

6. Risk Analysis

6.1 Failure to carry out this work could compromise the safety of inhabitants and staff should a fire occur.

6.2 The risks associated with CDM compliance have been dealt with elsewhere in this report and Health and Safety compliance has been considered as part of the tender evaluation.

7. Conclusions

7.1 The works included in this contract are necessary due to recent changes to fire legislation for residential establishments.

8. Recommendation

8.1 The Committee is invited to approve the awarding of the contract to Alexander Arthur & Sons in the amount of £116,126.87 as the most economically advantageous tender.

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Appendices:	Form ST/1 - Statement of Tenders Received
Background Papers:	None
Ward Affected:	5