

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development

Housing, Environment and Economic Development Committee: 7 May 2008

Subject: Vehicle Replacement Programme - 2008/2009

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval to purchase Council vehicles through the Scotland Excel (formerly Authorities Buying Consortium - ABC) framework agreements and, where required, to initiate tendering procedures for vehicles/plant which are not available through the framework agreements.

2. Background

- 2.1** To ensure the current level of frontline service delivery is maintained, fleet vehicles that are owned/leased with a replacement date up to and including 31 March 2009 should now be considered for replacement.
- 2.2** Vehicles will be purchased through the approved Scotland Excel framework agreements or a West Dunbartonshire Council tender where appropriate.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1** The ongoing process of vehicle procurement requires consideration is given to replacing fleet vehicles which are due for renewal by 31 March 2009.
- 3.2** An initial assessment has identified a draft list of vehicles as appropriate for replacement, as listed in Appendix 1. Full consultation with the user Departments will take place prior to implementation.
- 3.3** As part of the Council's commitment towards energy efficiency and reduction in emissions relating to transport, consideration will be given to these in the selection process for each vehicle.

4. Personnel Issues

- 4.1** There are no personnel issues.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1** The vehicle replacement programme will be funded through the Council's General Services Capital Plan 2008/2009.

6. Risk Analysis

6.1 There are no risks associated with the content of this report.

7. Conclusion

7.1 The Committee's approval of the 2008/2009 vehicle replacement programme will ensure the continued deployment of modern vehicles in the delivery of Council services.

8. Recommendation

8.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (a)** approve the Vehicle Replacement Programme 2008/09 and
- (b)** delegate authority to the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development, to purchase vehicles through the Scotland Excel framework agreement(s) or by a West Dunbartonshire Council tender, whichever is most appropriate and economically advantageous to the Council.

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Appendix: List of vehicles to be considered for replacement in 2008/2009

Background Papers: None

Wards Affected N/A