

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Acting Director of Housing, Regeneration & Environmental Services (Housing & Regeneration Services)

Tendering Committee : 20 December 2006

Subject: Awarding of Contract – Dumbarton High Street & Surrounding Areas, Phase 3 Public Realm Improvements

1. Purpose

1.1 To advise the Committee of tenders received for works to areas of High Street, Riverside Lane and Bridge Street, in Dumbarton Town Centre.

2. Background

2.1 It was agreed at the Community Safety and Environmental Services Committee of 2 August 2006 that an allocation of £340,000 should be made to continue public realm works in the vicinity of Dumbarton High Street. These works are being partly funded by European Regional Development Funds (ERDF) and an allocation of £50,000 from Road Services.

2.2 The contract involves improvements to footpath & road surfaces and new street furniture, to comply with the Dumbarton Town Centre Public Realm Design Guide.

2.3 Tenders were received on Monday 20 November 2006 from five contractors.

2.4 The date of expiry of tenders is 18 February 2007.

2.5 The anticipated contract start is 12 February 2007 with a contract duration of 20 weeks.

3. Main Issues

3.1 An assessment of the three lowest tenders was undertaken by the quantity surveyor for the project.

3.2 Based on the overall assessment, the quantity surveyor has recommended the acceptance of the tender submitted by Landscapes and Contractors Ltd for the sum of £408,756.02. They have previously undertaken work for the Council and are a Dumbarton based company.

4. Personnel Issues

4.1 There are no personnel issues at this time.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1** The budget allocated for this project is £340,000 (including consultant fees). This is less than the lowest tender which is for the sum of £408,756.02. The shortfall will be met by a recent offer of additional European Regional Development Funds for £58,590 and an allocation of £50,000 from Road Services.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1** Landscapes & Contracts Ltd have submitted the lowest tender. It is considered that this tender is the most economically advantageous and should be accepted.

7. Recommendation

- 7.1** That the tender from Landscapes and Contracts Limited in the sum of £408,756.02 be accepted.

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Date: 29 November 2006

Wards Affected: Ward 15

Appendix: None

Background Papers: Report to Community Safety and Environmental Services on 2 August 2006, entitled, "Dumbarton Town Centre Projects 2006 – 2007."

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