

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE		Subject: Lease of Additional Vehicles
From: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES		
Date: 7 April 1998	Ref: 038eklmr	

PROPOSED DECISION

To lease the additional vehicles as detailed in Appendix 1 of this report from the companies listed at Appendix 2 and failing this, the next cheapest tender, in accordance with the Recommendation.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

This proposal entails the utilisation of revenue funding currently available from within the budget of the Construction Services Department, for the purpose of leasing vehicles instead of long-term external hires. The proposal will result in a net saving to the Council of £33,000 per annum.

BACKGROUND

Members will recall the report to the last Committee whereby the Members were advised that the Department had been unsuccessful in their bid to obtain the vehicle maintenance contract for West of Scotland Water. It was also stated, however, the Department hoped to replace this much needed maintenance work through co-operation with other Departments in reducing the number of permanently hire vehicles and replacing them with leased vehicles whereby the maintenance would be carried out by the Vehicle Maintenance DSO.

REPORT

Following consultation with the Department of Construction Services they have advised that they require the vehicles listed at Appendix 1 to replace long term hires.

Members will also recall at their last meeting agreeing to acquire vehicles in accordance with the vehicle replacement programme from the companies listed in that report as submitting the most advantageous tenders and the purpose of this report is to seek the Committee's permission to save time and lease the additional vehicles listed in Appendix 1 using the tender prices submitted at the last meeting. At the time the tenders were advertised, the advert advised that the Council might wish to use the tenders to acquire additional vehicles and the specification for the tender also made it a condition of the tender that prices had to remain open for a period of sixty days and thereafter, if requested to supply additional vehicles, they could withdraw their price.

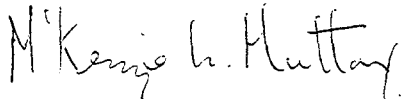
It is the Department's intention therefore, to approach the company submitting the successful tender for each of the groups where additional vehicles are required to give them the opportunity to supply the additional vehicles at the tender price, in the first instance. If the period is beyond the sixty days mentioned in the tender conditions and they are unwilling to hold the original price then the

Department would approach the next cheapest tenderer and again ask if they would be prepared to supply at their tender price.

The tenderers to be approached in the first instance are listed in Appendix 2.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee agree that the companies listed at Appendix 2 be approached in the first instance to supply the vehicles listed in Appendix 1 at the price submitted in their most recent tender and if any are unwilling then the Department be authorised to approach the next cheapest tenderer in turn.

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M.L. Hutton
Director of Environmental Services

Appendix 1

Quantity Required	Type of Vehicle Required	Tender Reference
4	1665kg Vans	QA/NL/TRA/2a
65	2830kg Vans	QA/NL/TRA/3a
8	3500kg Crew Cab Tippers	QA/NL/TRA/7a
2	3500kg Chassis Cab Pick-up with Luton Style Body	QA/NL/TRA/39
5	3500kg Panel Van	QA/NL/TRA/41
6	3500kg Tippers	QA/NL/TRA/46

Appendix 2

Name and Address of Supplier	Tender Reference	Cost per Unit (£)
Citroen, Glasgow 58/68 Finnieston Street Glasgow	QA/NL/TRA/2a	7,049.98
Lex Commercials Ltd 8 South Wardpark Court Wardpark South Cumbernauld G67 3HE	QA/NL/TRA/3a	9,980
Taggarts (Motherwell) Ltd Knowetop Motherwell ML1 2AQ	QA/NL/TRA/7a	15,955
Kerr and Smith (Cumnock) Ltd Riverside Garage Ayr Road Cumnock KA18 1BJ	QA/NL/TRA/39	15,304
Kerr and Smith (Cumnock) Ltd Riverside Garage Ayr Road Cumnock KA18 1BJ	QA/NL/TRA/41	13,093
Kerr and Smith (Cumnock) Ltd Riverside Garage Ayr Road Cumnock KA18 1BJ	QA/NL/TRA/46	13,792