

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL  
REPORT**

To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	Subject: PROVISION OF RECYCLING CONTAINERS TO FLATTED PROPERTIES: SCOTLAND EXCEL AWARD
From: HEAD OF LAND SERVICES	
Date: 19 AUGUST 2009	Ref: KW/HM/EC

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the committee of the actions taken by Environmental Services with regards to the provision of recycling systems for flatted properties throughout the area and to note the decision taken, following a tendering process conducted through the Scotland Excel procurement framework, to award the contract for containers to Messrs Egbert Taylor and Company Limited.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 As part of the report to the Environmental Services Committee of 27 February 2008, it was proposed that specific systems be introduced at flatted properties to allow residents to participate in the overall Recycle for Good strategy, in particular to allow access to recycling where the standard bin system was impractical.
- 2.2 Being a member of the Scotland Excel buying consortium, the Council prepared a tender process under this framework to seek proposals from companies already accepted by that system as meeting the financial and contracted contractual standards expected.
- 2.3 The scheme proposed, which would cover approximately 10,000 properties, is the largest single roll out project of its kind to flatted-type households in Scotland to date.

**3. PROPOSALS/CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.1 Tender Documents were issued to the 3 companies operating within the Framework with tender returns requested by noon on Wednesday 28 January, 2009.
- 3.2 One company, Egbert Taylor and Company Limited, submitted a return for the provision of the equipment at a cost of £610,000 for a total of 200 units.
- 3.3 Following discussion with the company, and in order to ensure timeous delivery and installation of the equipment, it was proposed that North Lanarkshire employees would assist in the siting and distribution of the units to their specific location with the area. This meant that a figure of £5000 would be deducted from the overall tender cost to reflect this assistance.

#### **4. FINANCIAL & CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS**

- 4.1 The funding for these containers and fittings is held within the current Year's capital programme, having been obtained as part of the overall Zero Waste Funding from the Scottish Government.
- 4.2 Performance of the systems, which will mean that an addition 10,000 households can participate, will be dependent on residents' participating in the scheme. It is estimated that, if full participation is achieved, this will generate an additional diversion of 1000 tonnes per annum, thereby adding approximately 0.5% to our overall recycling figure.
- 4.3 The roll out of this initiative will also mean an increase from 68 to 88 bring sites in the Council area, with the equipment at the existing 68 locations also being upgraded. The improvements also create more standard containers systems which will lead to servicing and collection efficiencies overall.

#### **5. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 5.1 The Committee note the action taken by the Department in procuring the 200 units in accordance with the terms of the Scotland Excel procurement mechanism, and
- 5.2 That the outcome of the tender process be reported to Scotland Excel in accordance with the process outlined in that framework.



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