

Motherwell, 19 August 2004 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the **EDUCATION (RESOURCES) SUB-COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Morgan, Convener, Councillors Curley, Holloway, Lyle, McKeown, Moran, G. Murray and Robertson.

CHAIR

Councillor Morgan (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Committee Services Manager, Head of Educational Provision, Head of Cleaning and Related Services, Head of Design Services, Education Officer (Building Provision) and Senior Accountant.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. J. Robin, Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Donnelly and Gray.

The Convener exercised his discretion to vary the order of business as hereinafter Minuted.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT ARRANGED BY STRATHCLYDE PASSENGER TRANSPORT - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

1. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated July 2004 by the Director of Education reviewing (1) the financial performance of the mainstream school transport contracts which had been arranged by Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive (SPTe) on behalf of the Council, and (2) the general performance of the transport contractors for the period January to April 2004.

Decided: that the performance of the mainstream school transport contracts which had been arranged by Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive for the period January to April 2004 be noted.

SCHOOLS CATERING CONTRACT 2004/2005 - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

2. There was submitted a joint report dated July 2004 by the Directors of Education and Community Services (1) reviewing the performance of the Schools Catering Contract for the period from April to June 2004; (2) providing an analysis of the uptake of school meals in primary and secondary schools and the budget performance for the period in comparison to 2003/2004, and (3) setting out in an Appendix to the report, sample customer care comments for the period.

Decided: that the performance of the Schools Catering Contract for the period from April to June 2004 be noted.

SCHOOLS CLEANING CONTRACT 2004/2005 - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

3. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated July 2004 by the Directors of Education and Community Services (1) reviewing the performance of the Schools Cleaning Contract for the period from April to June 2004; (2) providing a budgetary analysis of the contract together with explanations of the variances from the projected budget expenditure to date, and (3) setting out in Appendices to the report, an analysis of returned service delivery questionnaires for the period.

Decided: that the performance of the Schools Cleaning Contract for the period from April to June 2004 be noted.

SCHOOLS JANITORIAL SERVICE 2004/2005 - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

4. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated July 2004 by the Directors of Education and Community Services (1) reviewing the performance of the Schools Janitorial Service for the period from April to June 2004, and (2) setting out in Appendices to the report, an analysis of the returned service delivery questionnaires for the period.

In response to concerns raised from various Members in relation to incidents where Community Centres had been left without janitorial provision, the Head of Cleaning and Related Services assured the Sub-Committee that measures would be introduced to address the matter.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance of the Schools Janitorial Service for the period from April to June 2004 be noted, and
- (2) that it be noted that measures would be introduced to alleviate problems in relation to the lack of provision of janitorial services within Community Centres.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

5. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated July 2004 by the Directors of Education and Community Services (1) reviewing the performance of the Grounds Maintenance Contract for the period from February to July 2004; (2) setting out in the report an analysis of the returned service delivery questionnaires for the period December 2003 to March 2004, and (3) recommending that the performance of the Grounds Maintenance Contract for the period from February to July 2004 be noted.

Decided: that the performance of the Grounds Maintenance Contract for the period from February to July 2004 be noted.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2004/2005 - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

6. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated 30 July 2004 by the Director of Education (1) summarising the performance of the Capital Programme 2004/2005 in relation to major building programmes; (2) detailing in an Appendix to the report progress on all projects to be funded from outwith the mainline capital programmes; (3) indicating that from a total allocation of £12.672 million, 44% of the capital projects had been committed, to date, and (4) recommending that the Sub-Committee note the report.

Decided: that the performance of the 2004/2005 Major Building Programme be noted.

The Convener being of the opinion that the report relating to the tender in respect of the construction of a new sports hall at St. Maurice's High School, Cumbernauld was relevant, competent and urgent, authorised its consideration at this time to allow the Sub-Committee to be timeously advised of the Director of Administration's use of his delegated powers to progress the acceptance of the contract.

SCHOOL BUILDING MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS - ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS

7. There were submitted reports by the Director of Housing and Property Services (1) providing details of tenders received for various school building contracts, and (2) advising that following consultation with the Convener, the Director of Administration had arranged for acceptance of the lowest tender for each of the projects to be progressed, all in terms of his delegated powers and as detailed below:-
- (a) the lowest tender for replacement of boiler plant at Newarthill Primary School, Motherwell was, after checking, that submitted by Maintenance and Property Care Limited in the sum of £97,285.29;
 - (b) the lowest tender for electrical rewiring at Cumbernauld High School, Cumbernauld was, after checking, that submitted by Weir & McQuiston (Scotland) Limited in the sum of £472,017.49;
 - (c) the lowest tender for further replacement of boiler plant at Golfhill Primary, Airdrie was, after checking, that submitted by Syncro Limited in the sum of £128,616.08;
 - (d) the lowest tender for replacement of boiler plant at Woodlands Primary School, Cumbernauld was, after checking, that submitted by Heat Care Services (Scotland) Limited in the amended sum of £123,134.52;
 - (e) the lowest tender for electrical rewiring at Sikeside Primary School, Coatbridge was, after checking, that submitted by Weir & McQuiston (Scotland) Limited in the amended sum of £132,604.81;
 - (f) the lowest tender for window replacement at Ailsa Nursery, Motherwell was, after checking, that submitted by Marshall Brown (Windows) Limited in the sum of £100,021.49;
 - (g) the lowest tender for alterations and additions to the PE wing and a new reception area at St. Margaret's High School, Airdrie was, after checking, that submitted by W. & J.R. Watson Limited in the amended sum, after savings, of £1,616,726.84;
 - (h) the lowest tender for re-roofing at St. Matthew's Primary School, Wishaw was, after checking, that submitted by Braedale Roofing Limited in the amended sum of £127,616.54;
 - (i) the lowest tender for re-roofing at Calderhead High School, Shotts was, after checking, that submitted by Braedale Roofing Limited in the sum of £132,397.39;
 - (j) the lowest tender for brick and concrete repairs at St. Monica's Primary School, Coatbridge was, after checking, that submitted by Luddon Construction Limited in the amended sum of £51,942.24;
 - (k) the lowest tender for window replacement at St. Bernard's Primary School, Coatbridge was, after checking, that submitted by Century 21 Limited in the amended sum of £122,295;
 - (l) the lowest tender for provision of an autistic classroom unit at Firpark Special School, Motherwell was, after checking, that submitted by Wernick Buildings Limited in the amended sum, after savings of £163,109.45;
 - (m) the lowest tender for re-roofing of the main block at Glencryan Special School, Cumbernauld was, after checking, that submitted by Braedale Roofing Limited in the sum of £90,936.38, and
 - (n) the lowest tender for new sports hall at St. Maurice's High School, Cumbernauld was, after checking, that submitted by PBL Construction Limited in the amended sum, after savings, of £2,072,064.69.

Decided:

- (1) that the terms of the reports by the Director of Housing and Property Services be noted, and
 - (2) that the action taken by the Director of Administration, following consultation with the Convener, in accepting each of the tenders, as detailed in the reports, be noted.
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