

Motherwell, 2 March 2006 at 2 pm.

A Meeting of the EDUCATION (RESOURCES) SUB-COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Morgan, Convener, Councillors Donnelly, Gray, Holloway, Lyle, McCulloch, Robertson and Wallace.

CHAIR

Councillor Morgan (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Committee Services Manager, Head of Educational Provision, Head of Design Services, Head of Facility Support Services, Accounting Manager and Assistant Principal Officer, Contracts/Provisions.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. J. Robin, Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Cefferty, Moran and Sullivan.

SCHOOL JANITORIAL SERVICE - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

1. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated 2 February 2006 by the Directors of Education and Community Services reviewing the performance of the School Janitorial Service for the period from April 2005 to January 2006.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance of the School Janitorial Service for the period from April 2005 to January 2006 be noted, and
- (2) that further reports on the performance of the Service be submitted to future meetings of the Sub-Committee.

SCHOOL CATERING CONTRACT - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

2. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated 1 February 2006 by the Directors of Education and Community Services (1) reviewing the performance of the School Catering Contract for the period from April 2005 to January 2006; (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 2004/2005, and (3) containing sample customer care comments for the period.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance of the School Catering Contract for the period from April 2005 to January 2006 be noted, and
 - (2) that further performance reports on the contract be submitted to future meetings of the Sub-Committee.
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SCHOOL CLEANING CONTRACT – PERFORMANCE

3. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated 2 February 2006 by the Directors of Education and Community Services (1) reviewing the performance of the School Cleaning Contract for the period from April 2005 to January 2006, and (2) providing a budgetary analysis of the contract together with explanations on the variances from the projected budget expenditure to date.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance of the School Cleaning Contract for the period from April 2005 to January 2006 be noted, and
- (2) that further performance reports on the contract be submitted to future meetings of the Sub-Committee.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE 2005/2006 - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

4. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated 14 February 2006 by the Director of Education (1) reviewing the performance of the Education Maintenance Allowance Scheme for the period from August 2005 to January 2006; (2) giving details of the number of applications received to date; (3) containing information on the awards process, and (4) outlining the payments made in respect of each level of award.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance of the Education Maintenance Allowance Scheme be noted, and
- (2) that further performance reports be submitted to future meetings of the Sub-Committee.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

5. There was submitted a joint report (docketed) dated 2 February 2006 by the Directors of Education and Community Services reviewing the performance of the Grounds Maintenance Contract for the period from April 2005 to January 2006.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance of the Grounds Maintenance Contract for the period from April 2005 to January 2006 be noted, and
- (2) that further reports on the performance of this service be submitted to future meetings of the Sub-Committee.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT ARRANGED BY SPT - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

6. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated 2 February 2006 by the Director of Education reviewing (1) the financial performance for the period from October to December 2005 of the Mainstream School Transport Contract which had been arranged by Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive on behalf of the Council, and (2) the general performance of the School Transport contractors during that period.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance for the period from October to December 2005 of the Mainstream School Contracts which had been arranged by Strathclyde Passenger Transport be noted, and
- (2) that further performance reports on the contract be submitted to future meetings of the Sub-Committee.

CORPORATE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - PERFORMANCE

7. There were submitted reports dated 13 January and 23 February 2006 by the Director of Housing and Property Services (1) describing the performance of the Corporate Property Management Account for the periods from April 2005 to February 2006; (2) indicating that although the Central Repairs Account Budget for the current financial year was £9,039,222, additional works had been instructed through the contract and funded by Client Revenue Budgets, the Capital Programme or insurance claims, and (3) providing a summary of the current expenditure as at 3 February 2006.

Decided: that the reports be noted.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2005/2006 - PERFORMANCE REVIEW

8. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated February 2006 by the Director of Education (1) summarising the performance of the Capital Programme for 2005/2006 in relation to major building programmes; (2) detailing, in Appendix 1 to the report, the progress of projects funded from outwith the mainline Capital Programme; (3) providing, in Appendix 2 to the report, detailed progress of projects which had been committed to date; (4) summarising, in Appendix 3 to the report, the progress of new capital projects for 2005/2006, and (5) indicating that from a total allocation of £22,515,518, 118% had been committed and that actual expenditure, to date, was 72% on these projects.

Decided:

- (1) that the financial performance of the 2005/2006 Major Building Programme be noted, and
- (2) that further reports on the programme be submitted to a future meetings of the Sub-Committee.

SCHOOL BUILDING MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS - ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS

9. 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 the extension to Carnbroe Primary School, Coatbridge which was, after checking, that submitted by Gilchrist and Lynn Limited, Airdrie in the amended sum of £686,488.48;
 - (b) the lowest tender for the renewal of the fire alarm at St. Margaret's High School, Airdrie which was, after checking, that submitted by WWW Electrical Contractors Limited, Glasgow in the sum of £109,185.41;

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- (c) the lowest tender for the upgrading of the fire exits and construction of ramps at Balmalloch Primary School, Kilsyth which was, after checking, that submitted by Helforn Limited, Glasgow in the sum of £83,387.96;
- (d) the lowest tender for the upgrading of the fire exits and construction of ramps at Clyde Valley High School, Wishaw which was, after checking, that submitted by Helforn Limited, Glasgow in the sum of £87,344.15;
- (e) the lowest tender for the upgrading of the fire exits and construction of ramps at Bellshill Academy, Bellshill which was, after checking, that submitted by JBC (Scotland) Limited, Kinross in the amended sum of £96,241.05;
- (f) the lowest tender for the construction of a Junior Hospitality Academy at Cardinal Newman High School, Bellshill which was, after checking, that submitted by David H. Allan Limited, Glasgow in the amended sum of £366,874.49;
- (g) the lowest tender for re-roofing of the slate roof at Gartcosh Primary School, Gartcosh which was, after checking, that submitted by Frank O'Hara trading as Faskin Contracts, Paisley in the sum of £109,126.15;
- (h) the lowest tender for the construction of a new sports pitch at St. Maurice's High School, Cumbernauld which was, after checking, that submitted by I and H Brown Limited, Coatbridge in the sum of £192,216.41;
- (i) the lowest tender for the construction of a new pavilion, synthetic sports pitch, and extension to the existing PE block and alterations to existing games hall at Braidhurst High School, Motherwell which was, after checking, that submitted by Maxi Construction, Livingston in the amended sum of £1,131,736.70;
- (j) the lowest tender for the works to upgrade two science laboratories at Cumbernauld High School, Cumbernauld and Caldervale High School, Airdrie which was, after checking, that submitted by David H. Allan Limited, Glasgow in the sum of £208,393.98;
- (k) the lowest tender for the replacement of windows at St. Serf's Primary School, Airdrie which was, after checking, that submitted by Insutech (Scotland) Limited, Hillington in the amended sum of £87,106.20, and
- (l) the lowest tender for the construction of a communication disorder unit at Cumbernauld High School, Cumbernauld which was, after checking and savings, that submitted by John Buchanan (Joiners) Limited, Motherwell in the amended sum of £506,301.16.

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 report be noted.