

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL
REPORT**

To: GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE		Subject: TENDER FOR EXTERNAL WORKS FOR REGISTRAR OFFICE AT THE MOTHERWELL CIVIC CENTRE
From: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Date: 20 November 2003	Ref: TT/0015a	

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to keep committee members informed of the above.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Tender documents were prepared to carry out the construction of external works, including paving, decking, fencing, planting beds, lighting works etc. in the external areas, covering the pond area, the underpass and the existing staircase below the Registrar Office at the Civic Centre in Motherwell.

2.2 The funding for this work is contained within the Administration General Services Capital Programme 2003/2004.

3. PROPOSALS/CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Tenders were issued to five contractors and were returned on Friday 7th November 2003 as follows:

	Before Checking £	After Checking £
Landscapes & Contracts Ltd.	214,445.47	214,887.32
MacKenzie Construction	243,036.07	249,815.71
Land Engineering (Scotland) Ltd.	258,824.63	258,824.63
Stewart Landscapes Ltd.	375,599.36	unchecked
Central Building Contractors Ltd.	418,641.52	unchecked

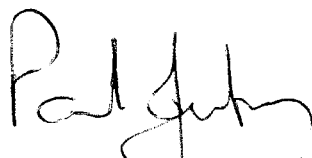
3.2 When the lowest returned tender was examined by the consultant QS, several queries were identified which he recommended should be clarified with the lowest tenderer. The result is that the lowest tenderer elected to amend his tender to **£225,384.10**, but this remained the lowest acceptable offer.

4. **CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS**

- 4.1 The committee is asked to note that the tender has been prepared after due consideration and in consultation with the Administration Department, Head of Central Services and Countryside and Landscape Division.

5. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 5.1 The committee is asked to note that in accordance with the delegations given to the Director of Administration, this project is being progressed for acceptance, after consultation with the Convenor of General Purposes.

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Director of Community Services