

To: PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE	Subject: Townhead, Coatbridge - Traffic Calming Scheme
From: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT	
Date: 18 October 2004	Ref: HQ/TT/78/15/24

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend acceptance of the tender from McGarvey Construction Ltd to provide traffic calming within the Townhead area of Coatbridge as part of the St. Bartholomews Safer Route to School scheme.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Scottish Executive had previously granted additional capital consent of £334,000 to North Lanarkshire Council to spend on Safer Routes to School schemes. Sacred Heart and Eastfield Primary Schools have had measures implemented, St. Bartholomews is the last scheme to be completed of the three schools originally identified.
- 2.2 Full consultation of every resident affected by the proposals as well as statutory consultees was undertaken and the scheme amended to take account of their requirements.
- 2.3 Implementation of this scheme was delayed because of objections from local bus operators regarding the number of vertical traffic calming measures. As a result of these objections the proposals were further amended in order to provide alternative traffic calming on the identified bus routes.

3. Corporate Considerations

- 3.1 This project will contribute towards the Council's aim of improving road safety for road users and pedestrians which is one of the aims contained in the Promoting Community Safety & Development theme of the Corporate Plan. The costs for the work is included in Safer Routes to School Capital Budget for 2004/2005.
- 3.2 The tender documents were issued to six contractors as follows.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Cost</u>
McGarvey Construction Ltd	£209,545.31
Amey Roads North Lanarkshire	£235,366.80
Newmac Asphalt Services Ltd	£256,211.75
Markon (Leith Scotland Ltd)	£260,632.70
Fullwood Holdings Ltd	Did Not Tender
Cumbrian Industrials Ltd	Did Not Tender

4. Recommendations

4.1 It is recommended that Committee:

- a) Accept the tender submitted by McGarvey Construction Ltd.
- b) Note that the Director of Planning & Environment will monitor the capital allocation and report to the Director of Finance accordingly

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for

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(date of report)

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