

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT
AGENDA ITEM No. 13

To: PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE		Subject: INSPECTION STRATEGY FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF CONTAMINATED LAND – INVITATION TO TENDER.
From: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT		
Date: 8 June 2005	Ref: C/PC/TL/AD	

1. **Purpose of the Report**

The purpose of the report is to seek approval from members, in terms of the Council's contract standing orders, to invite specialist contractors in the contaminated land field to tender for work to assist in the implementation of the contaminated land strategy.

2. **Background**

To comply with its statutory duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, North Lanarkshire Council produced its Inspection Strategy for the Identification of Contaminated Land in October 2001 and updated this in November 2004. The main objective is to prioritise land within North Lanarkshire Council which has the highest potential to be contaminated as defined in the legislation and take appropriate action where necessary.

3. **Sustainability Implications**

The implications of the strategy is to ensure that land is suitable for its current use and to enable appropriate action to be taken where any sites meet statutory definition of contaminated land.

4. **Proposals/Considerations**

- 4.1 Substantial progress has been made to date in the implementation of the strategy. The initial number of potentially contaminated locations identified by a geographical information system based model was 7032. However, a new dataset, depicting all tanks and energy facilities has been added to the model. This has resulted in the number of potentially contaminated areas rising to 8,595 as more accurate information is now available. Of this number, 2362 which represents 27% of the total number of potentially contaminated locations have been the subject of a reconnaissance visit with information gathered entered in the land quality management database.
- 4.2 Work is ongoing within the Pollution Control Section in conjunction with Jacobs Babbie, technical advisors to the Council to progress the implementation of the strategy.
- 4.3 To progress the number of reconnaissance visits made this year it is proposed to appoint a sub-consultant to carry out additional reconnaissance visits as required.

4.4 It is proposed to issue invitations to tender for this work to the following specialist Consultants:

ARUP	Colin Robertson 11-12 Claremont Terrace Glasgow G3 7XR Tel: 0141 332 8534
W.S Atkins Consultants Ltd	Jane Morris Clifton House 1-7 Clifton Place Glasgow Lanarkshire G3 7YY Tel: 0141 332 7030
Envirocentre	David Hay Wolfson centre 106 Rottenrow East Glasgow G4 0NW Tel: 0141 553 4128
Mason Evans Partnership	David Mason The Piazza 95 Morrison Street Glasgow G5 8BE Tel: 0141 420 2025
URS	Ian Clow 243 West George Street Glasgow G2 4QE Tel: 0141 226 3611

5. Corporate Considerations

- 5.1 The actions proposed and recommendations are consistent with policy and there are no personnel, legal or property implications in the report.
- 5.2 The costs of all payments to consultants for work in progressing the implementation of the Strategy will be met by The Scottish Executive Contaminated Land Capital Grant.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 In terms of the Council's contract standing orders authorise the Director of Planning and Environment to instigate a tendering process to appoint specialist subconsultants to carry out work to progress the implementation of the strategy.
- 6.2 That the committee note the contents of the report.



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