

To: PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE		Subject: Local Transport Interchange at Harthill
From: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT		
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### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek homologation of the action taken by the Convenor and Director of Administration to appoint a contractor to construct the Local Transport Interchange at Harthill.

### 2. Background

- 2.1 For some time the local road and service area have been used for unofficial access to the motorway and as a car park to gain access to the service busses to Glasgow and Edinburgh.
- 2.2 As a result of this the local residents of Miller Street have suffered from high volumes of traffic and obstructive parking.
- 2.3 The completion of this project will remove the unauthorised access to the motorway, provide quality facilities within the service area to enable safe transfer to the bus services and reduce vehicle speeds on Miller Street by incorporating traffic calming.

### 3 Proposals

- 3.1 The tender documents were issued to six contractors as follows.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Tender Amount After Checking</u>
ERDC Group Ltd	£897,789.16
Land Engineering ( Scotland ) Ltd	£917,815.51
RJ McLeod Contractors Ltd	£933,540.00
J McGeady Ltd	£1,375,812.00
Border Construction Ltd	Incomplete Tender
AE Yates Ltd	Failed to Tender

- 3.2 Including 10% contingencies and supervision the total project cost will be £1,070,618.08.
- 3.3 The Tender of £897,789.16 submitted by ERDC Group Ltd has been consistently and competitively priced.
- 3.4 The works will be carried out on land under the control of the Scottish Executive and North Lanarkshire Council.

#### **4. Corporate Considerations**

- 4.1 The capital funding for this project is by the provision of a grant from the Scottish Executive for £1.1 Million.
- 4.2 This project will contribute towards the Council's aim of improving road safety for road users and promoting the use of sustainable transport.

#### **5. Sustainability**

- 5.1 On completion of the works the Council will adopt the Local Transport Interchange and maintenance will be included within the area maintenance budget.
- 5.2 This project will contribute towards the Council's aim of improving road safety for road users and promoting the use of sustainable transport.

#### **6. Recommendations**

- 6.1 It is recommended that Committee agree to homologate:
  - a) The appointment of ERDC Group Ltd as the contractor for the Local Transport Interchange contract.



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