

ANGUS COUNCIL

RESOURCES AND CENTRAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – 21 OCTOBER 2004

DATA COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADE

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

ABSTRACT

This report recommends the allocation of £25,000 from the IT R&R fund to enable the provision of replacement data communications equipment to enhance data communications to leisure centres, museums and Invertay House.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended to note the contents of this report and approve the allocation of £25,000 from the IT Repairs and Renewals fund to enable replacement of communications equipment at a number of Council locations.

2. BACKGROUND

A recent review of the data communications infrastructure highlighted that equipment at leisure centres, museums and Invertay House does not provide sufficient capacity to meet the current needs of these services. Replacing this equipment will improve both the speed and reliability of the links to these locations. It will also allow the council to maximise the use of new facilities provided by the recent upgrade of the network environment to Windows 2003.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

It is estimated that the cost of procuring the equipment will be approximately £25,000. This cost can be contained within the current balances of the Information Technology Repairs and Renewals Fund.

4. HUMAN RIGHTS

There are no direct human rights implications arising from this report.

5. CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and the Directors of Finance and Law and Administration have been consulted on the terms of this report.

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Director of Information Technology

NOTE: No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.