

VARIOUS SECONDARY SCHOOLS – UPGRADING OF HOME ECONOMICS ROOMS - TENDER REPORT

Abstract

Report on tenders received and recommendation of acceptance.

RECOMMENDATION

The Resources and Central Services Committee is recommended to:

1. approve the acceptance of each of the tenders for the several works to home economics rooms at;
 - Arbroath Academy, in the amount of £64,442.63 received from Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd, Dundee after discount applied;
 - Arbroath High School, in the amount of £71,431.64 received from Pert Bruce Construction Ltd, Montrose
 - Montrose Academy, in the amount of £64,809.34 received from Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd, Dundee;
 - Monifieth High School, in the amount of £72,070.46 received from Pert Bruce Construction Ltd, Montrose
2. approve the estimated total cost of £292,529 (at out turn prices);
3. note that this project will be funded from the Specific School Fund Grant within the Education section of the 2005/2009 Financial Plan and Capital Budget 2006/07.

1 DESCRIPTION OF WORKS

The works comprise the upgrading of existing home economics rooms within various secondary schools; together with all associated services, fitments and finishes.

2 TENDERS RECEIVED

Tender documents were issued to six contractors, selected in accordance with standard procedures, from the standing lists of contractors or registered with Constructionline.

Tenders were lodged with the Director of Law and Administration on 10 November 2005 and remain open for acceptance until 8 February 2006.

The offers are on a fixed price basis.

The tenders received, and after checking the three offers, are as follows:

Tenders for Arbroath Academy home economics room	Tender Amount	Corrected Amount
Pert Bruce Construction Ltd, Montrose	£62,821.24	£62,803.24
Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd, Dundee	£65,692.63	£65,692.63
Torith Ltd., Drumoig, St Andrews	£73,106.98	£73,106.98
ESA McIntosh Ltd., Kirkcaldy	£78,007.84	Not checked
W H Brown Construction (Dundee) Ltd., Dundee	£83,348.17	Not checked
R S Hill, Forfar		Returned unpriced

Tenders for Arbroath High School home economics room	Tender Amount	Corrected Amount
Pert Bruce Construction Ltd, Montrose	£71,426.24	£71,431.64
Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd, Dundee	£81,972.00	£81,972.02
Torith Ltd., Drumoig, St Andrews	£89,594.15	£89,554.65
ESA McIntosh Ltd., Kirkcaldy	£103,105.31	Not checked
W H Brown Construction (Dundee) Ltd., Dundee	££111,435.76	Not checked
R S Hill, Forfar		Returned unpriced

Tenders for Montrose Academy home economics room	Tender Amount	Corrected Amount
Pert Bruce Construction Ltd, Montrose	£59,258.27	£59,459.08
Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd, Dundee	£64,816.58	£64,809.34
Torith Ltd., Drumoig, St Andrews	£73,366.06	£73,365.56
W H Brown Construction (Dundee) Ltd., Dundee	£79,945.74	Not checked
ESA McIntosh Ltd., Kirkcaldy	£80,204.81	Not checked
R S Hill, Forfar		Returned unpriced

Tenders for Monifieth High School home economics room	Tender Amount	Corrected Amount
Pert Bruce Construction Ltd, Montrose	£74,748.10	£72,070.46
Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd, Dundee	£78,316.63	£78,316.63
Torith Ltd., Drumoig, St Andrews	£85,062.11	£85,062.11
ESA McIntosh Ltd., Kirkcaldy	£96,742.82	Not checked
W H Brown Construction (Dundee) Ltd., Dundee	£98,950.62	Not checked
R S Hill, Forfar		Returned unpriced

An examination of the tender documents received from the three lowest tenderers for each of the schools revealed a number of areas where they had not fully complied with the requirements of the tender documentation. In accordance with standard procedures the two lowest tenderers were contacted initially and have now provided the required information in compliance with the requirements of the tender documents.

The tenderers were requested to state the maximum number of home economic rooms that they would be able to carry out over the contract period. Pert Bruce Construction Ltd indicated that they would only be able to carry out works to a maximum of two rooms within the contract period. Based on the differences in prices between the two lowest tenders for all the home economics rooms it is recommended that Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd be accepted for the works to Arbroath Academy and Montrose Academy and Pert Bruce Construction Ltd be accepted for the works to Arbroath High School and Monifieth High School. This ensures that the combination of lowest and second lowest tender prices result in the best overall price for the works to all the home economics rooms.

The tenderers were also given the option of offering a saving on successive home economic rooms if they were the lowest for more than one of the tenders. Of the tenders returned only Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd offered this at a discount of £1,250 for each successive home economics room accepted beyond the first. As Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd have been recommended for acceptance for two home economics rooms the discount has been applied to the Arbroath Academy corrected tender price of £65,692.63, resulting in a discounted tender figure of £64,442.63.

The general level of pricing contained within the lowest offer is considered to be fair and reasonable having regard to the nature and extent of the work involved.

3 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST

The estimated total cost of this project, based on the best combination of tenders for each home economics room is as follows:

Arbroath Academy (After deduction of the £1,250 discount offered by Muirfield (Contracts) Ltd)	£64,443
Arbroath High School	£71,432
Montrose Academy	£64,809
Monifieth High School	£72,070
	<u>£272,754</u>
Allowance for professional fees, supervisory, travel and administrative expenses	£19,775
Estimated total cost (at out-turn prices)	<u><u>£292,529</u></u>

4 ALLOWANCE IN ESTIMATES

This project will be funded from the Specific School Fund Grant within the Education section of the 2005/2009 Financial Plan and Capital Budget 2006/07.

5 REVENUE IMPLICATIONS

There are no additional recurring annual revenue costs associated with this project and as the estimated total cost of £292,529 is fully funded from the Specific School Fund Grant there will be no loan charges.

6 ESTIMATED PHASING OF EXPENDITURE

The expenditure of the estimated total cost of £292,529 will be spread over 3 years:

in 2005/06	£230,000
in 2006/07	£50,000
in 2007/08	£12,529

7 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, the Director of Law and Administration, the Acting Director of Finance and the Director of Education have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT IMPLICATIONS

There are no Human Rights Act implications specific to this report.

Any implications, as a consequence of discharging recommendations detailed in this report, will be managed in accordance with the standing procedures and processes established by the Property Services department.

9 CONCLUSION

On the basis of the tenders received, the Resources and Central Services Committee is recommended to approve the acceptance of each of the tenders for the several works to home economics rooms at:

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REFERENCES

Committee	Date	Report	Subject
Education	10/11/05	1298/05	2005/2009 Financial Plan and 2006/2007 Capital Budget

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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.

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