

ANGUS COUNCIL

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE

25 AUGUST 2009

WORKS AWARDED TO TAYSIDE CONTRACTS

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**ABSTRACT**

This report provides details of the works awarded to Tayside Contracts on behalf of the Council by the Head of Roads under delegated authority during the financial year 2008/09.

**1 RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the value of the works awarded to Tayside Contracts by the Head of Roads during financial year 2008/09.

**2 DETAILS**

- 2.1 In accordance with the Roads Division's Best Value Strategy for Construction and Maintenance Work and the Council's Financial Regulations, various road maintenance works and engineering projects are awarded directly to Tayside Contracts (ie without being subject to competitive tendering) in accordance with the procedures established for demonstrating value to the council. Details of the types of work and various threshold values for award were approved by Committee in Report 514/04 in April 2004 subsequently updated through Report 270/07 and are reproduced in Appendix 1 of this report. The works include the provision of winter maintenance services and a balance of work throughout the year to ensure that the Tayside Contracts workforce required to deliver the winter roads maintenance service is gainfully employed all year round.
- 2.2 In order to ensure best value for the Council the rates submitted by Tayside Contracts for awarded work are benchmarked against tendered rates for similar work won in competition if available, and against the rates and prices applied in other Councils where there is no competitive market for the work.
- 2.3 The financial summary of the value of work awarded directly to Tayside Contracts for financial year 2008/09 is given in Appendix 2 of the report.

**3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The expenditure on these awarded works was contained within the appropriate budget allocations, monitored and reported as required in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

**4 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no human rights implications arising from this report.

**5 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The issues dealt with in this Report have been the subject of consideration from an equalities perspective (as required by legislation). An equalities impact assessment is not required.

**6 SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT**

6.1 This report contributes to the following local outcome contained within the Single Outcome Agreement for Angus

- Communities in Angus are safe, secure and vibrant.

**7 CONSULTATION**

7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Head of Finance, Head of Law and Administration and Managing Director of Tayside Contracts were consulted in the preparation of this report.

**8 CONCLUSION**

8.1 The work awarded to Tayside Contracts by the Roads Division under the best value regime employed within the Council for these services is set out in Appendix 1. The value of this work is summarised in Appendix 2 to this report.

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**NOTE:**

The following 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 this Report:-

Report No 270/07 – Competitive Tendering – Best Value Regime 2007, Tayside Contracts

Roads/JG/DH

Reports/Awarded Works August



Works Category	Procurement Method	Value for Money (VFM) Test
<p><b>Structural Maintenance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reconstruction</li> <li>• Overlay</li> <li>• Re-surfacing</li> <li>• Surface dressing</li> <li>• Culverts and retaining walls</li> <li>• Remedial earthworks</li> </ul>	<p>Valued over £150K – Competitive Tendering.</p> <p>Valued under £150K – awarded to Tayside Contracts.</p>	<p>Most economically advantageous tender.</p> <p>Benchmarking of prices with prices obtained in competition or with other Councils.</p>
<p><b>Lighting Maintenance</b></p>	<p>To be provided by Tayside Contracts.</p>	<p>Benchmarking of prices with other Councils.</p>
<p><b>Lighting – New Provision</b></p>	<p>Valued over £150K – Competitive Tendering.</p> <p>Valued under £150K – awarded to Tayside Contracts</p>	<p>Most economically advantageous tender.</p> <p>Benchmarking of prices with prices obtained in competition.</p>
<p><b>Specific Projects (not covered above)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges</li> <li>• Coastal protection works</li> <li>• Traffic management schemes</li> <li>• Environmental improvements</li> <li>• Engineering projects</li> </ul>	<p>Valued over £150K – Competitive Tendering.</p> <p>Valued under £150K – awarded to Tayside Contracts.</p>	<p>Most economically advantageous tender.</p> <p>Benchmarking of prices with prices obtained in competition.</p>

## APPENDIX 2

## VALUE OF WORK AWARDED TO TAYSIDE CONTRACTS 2008/09

Gross value for all works (Revenue, Capital, Roads and Transport Renewal and Repairs Fund, Capital Funded from Current Revenue, Car Parks Reserve, Quality of Life Funding, Supplementary Capital Allocation, Cycling Walking and Safer Streets Funding, and Miscellaneous Services budget).

Winter Maintenance	£2,586,000
Routine Road Maintenance	£2,062,678
Traffic schemes	£97,069
Structural Road Maintenance	£4,367,634
Street Lighting Maintenance	£357,598
Street Lighting – New Provision	£888,453
Specific Projects    Cycling, walking and safer streets	£115,556
Housing Footpaths	£27,000
Car Parks	£32,824
Transport – Cycling walking	£29,327
Speed Limits	£34,531
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£10,598,670</b>