ANGUS COUNCIL

ROADS COMMITTEE

14 JUNE 2001

QUALITY ASSURANCE REGISTRATION

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS

ABSTRACT

This report details the recommendation for third party certification to BS EN ISO 9001 achieved by a section of the Roads Department.

1 **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee agree to note the recommended third party certification to ISO 9001 of the Engineering and Design Services Section of the Roads Department.

2 **DETAILS**

Engineering and Design Services, a section within the Roads Department, have been working towards Quality Assurance standards to BS EN ISO 9001 for some time. This work has been co-ordinated by the Department's Quality Co-ordinator and has involved the preparation of procedures which can be expanded to include the whole of the Roads Department.

On the 1 and 2 May 2001 the service was the subject of a third party certification audit by the British Standards Institution (BSI). The result of this audit is that the service has been recommended for registration as a Quality Assured provider for "the feasibility study, design, procurement and supervision of roads and transportation works and associated structures".

Following the recommendation it is expected that full Quality Assurance certification will be received in late June and the Department will be allowed to indicate this approval on stationery.

It is proposed to extend the Quality Management System to encompass the work undertaken by the Traffic, Lighting and Maintenance Sections of the Roads Department in due course.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be an annual registration fee of approximately £1,500 to cover administration and routine visit costs depending upon scope of registration. These costs will be contained within the Roads Revenue Budget for Departmental Administration.

4 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

There are no human rights implications arising from the proposals in this report.

5 CONSULTATION

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

6 **CONCLUSION**

The Engineering and Design Services Section of the Roads Department has been recommended for third part Registration and full certification is anticipated at the end of June.

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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.

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