

APPENDIX XIII

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

**CONTRACTING SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES
COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 26 AUGUST 1996 AT 1605 HOURS
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,
KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors David Sneller, Drew McIntyre, Bob Beattie and George Turnbull.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; Tom Wilkie, Head of Contracting and Technical Services; Kenneth Hathaway, Principal Client Services; Joan Kendall, Principal Solicitor; Gillian Hamilton and Jennifer Morrison, Administrative Officers.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Jim Kelly, Jimmy Boyd and Tommy Farrell.

CHAIR: Councillor David Sneller, Chair.

**COMPULSORY COMPETITIVE TENDERING (CCT) IN SCOTLAND UNDER THE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING AND LAND ACT 1980 (COMPETITION -
SCOTLAND)**

1. It was reported that the Scottish Office Development Department had issued a Consultation paper dated July 1996 (circulated) summarising issues on which comments were invited in respect of CCT under the Local Government Planning and Land Act (Competition - Scotland), by 9 September 1996. A number of concerns were raised by Members on the issues and it was agreed that it be remitted to the Chief Executive on consultation with the Chair to incorporate these concerns into a response also reflecting departmental views by the due date.

**COMPULSORY COMPETITIVE TENDERING (CCT): GUIDANCE ON THE USE OF
PERFORMANCE BONDS AND GUARANTEES**

2. There was submitted CCT Issues Paper No 1 "The Use of Performance Bonds and Guarantees in CCT" dated July 1996 (circulated) which set out the Secretary of State's views on the use of Performance Bonds and Guarantees in relation to the letting of Local Government contracts governed by the CCT regime. The Sub-Committee regretted that the Scottish Office had failed to take cognisance of previous submissions made by Local Authorities on this matter and noted the guidance contained in the report.

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3. There was submitted a report by the Director of Support Services dated 19 August 1996 (circulated) inviting the Sub-Committee to recommend appropriate packaging measures and contract period for building maintenance under the Local Government Planning and Land Act 1980 (Competition-Scotland).

Following consideration of the available options the Sub-Committee agreed to recommend a single contract for building maintenance within East Ayrshire of 4 years duration with an extension period of 1 year.

The meeting terminated at 1620 hours.