

Corporate Strategy Committee
23 February 1999

Irvine, 23 February 1999 - At a Special Meeting of the Corporate Strategy Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 3.30 p.m.

Present

James Clements, Jack Carson, Thomas Dickie, David Gallagher, Jane Gorman and James Jennings.

In Attendance

The Corporate Director (Property Services), the Assistant Chief Executive (Information Technology), D. Addison, Head of Revenue Service (Finance) and S. Bale, Administration Officer (Chief Executive's).

Apologies for Absence

John Sillars.

1. Financial Management Systems

Submitted joint report by the Assistant Chief Executives (Finance) and (Information Technology) on the selection of a replacement financial management system.

The Council's Corporate financial management systems are used by all Services to pay invoices, issue accounts for the provision of goods and services, account for all expenditure and income and provide financial management reports. The systems were largely inherited from the former Strathclyde Regional Council. During 1998, a review of financial information requirements was undertaken, which concluded that whilst the systems met the basic requirements, there was a need to upgrade and to improve the systems to meet the various users requirements, as well as ensuring Year 2000 compliance. Consequently the Council invited tenders for replacement systems.

Following evaluation, it is recommended that the offer submitted by Prestige Software International at a total initial cost of £214,173 and an annual recurring cost of £41,716 be accepted, subject to the detailed contractual arrangements being finalised.

The Committee agreed to approve acceptance of the tender from Prestige Software International, on the terms outlined.

The meeting ended at 3.35 p.m.