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Report to:Social Work Resources CommitteeDate of Meeting:22 August 2007Report by:Executive Director (Social Work Resources)

Subject: Tender of Externally Purchased Care and Support for Adults with Learning Disabilities

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - To seek approval to enter into a tender process to provide Care and Support for Adults with Learning Disabilities
 - To seek authority to invite tenders from suitable providers and award the contract to the successful tenderers

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) is authorised to undertake a tender process for Care and Support for Adults with Learning Disabilities
 - (2) that the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, is authorised to enter into contractual legal formalities with the successful tenderers

3. Background

- 3.1. Following tender processes in 1998 and again in 2001, care and support services have been provided in supported accommodation to adults with a learning disability discharged from Birkwood Hospital and Kirklands Hospital on a phased basis.
- 3.2. Service reviews have been carried out and the contracts with the providers extended until 31 March 2008

4. Current Position

4.1. There are eight providers across the Council area which deliver Care and Support Services to Adults with Learning Disabilities, as detailed below:-

Provider	Geographical Area
Cornerstone	Dispersed throughout SLC area
Richmond Fellowship	Hamilton and Blantyre
Turning Point	East Kilbride
Quarriers	Rutherglen and Cambuslang
Кеу	Dispersed throughout Hamilton, Blantyre,
	Lesmahagow/East Kilbride
Care Solutions	Rutherglen and Cambuslang
Support for Ordinary Living	Lanark

Leonard Cheshire	Carluke
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5. Number of Providers

5.1. It is proposed that the number of providers be reduced with the tender process appointing providers to deliver services in three areas, namely: - Rutherglen/Cambuslang/East Kilbride, Hamilton/Blantyre and Clydesdale/Larkhall.

6. Employee Implications

6.1. There are no employee implications.

7. Financial Implications

7.1. The cost of the service will be determined by the outcome of the tender process and will be met from existing budgets.

8. Other Implications

8.1. The tender will be a restricted process in line with Part 3, Regulation 16 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. A contract notice will be placed in the Official Journal of the European Union as required by the terms of the regulations.

9. Consultation

9.1. Plans will be developed to consult with service users and carers.

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Link(s) to Council Objectives

The proposal links to the themes and objectives of the Council as follows:

• Living in the Community

Previous References

None

List of Background Papers

None

Contact for Further Information

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