

# Report

Report to:	<b>Social Work Resources Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>31 October 2007</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Social Work Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Tender for Youth Justice Services</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ seek approval for the reprovisioning of the terms of the tender from 3 separate contracts into one contract to provide services in relation to youth offending
- ◆ seek authority to invite tenders from suitable service providers and award a contract to the successful tenderer

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1 The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the current tender for Youth Justice Services be reprovisioned from three contracts and combined into one contract for the provision of services for young people involved in offending behaviour; and
- (2) that the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) be authorised to undertake a tender process for the provision of services in relation to youth offending on that basis.

## 3. Background

3.1 Justice Services have commissioned three separate services with Includem over the 4 years for young people involved in offending behaviour.

3.2 Over the past 12 months these services have been reviewed and it has been agreed that the components of the services should be combined into one service provision.

## 4. Current Position

4.1 Two of the current contracts are due to terminate over the next 6 months with the intention of a new service being commissioned via the tender for 1 April 2008.

4.2 A working group has been formed to develop a service specification for the new services.

4.3 It is proposed that the re-modelling of the service will result in one contract being awarded to an organisation which will result in streamlining management and contract arrangements.

## **5. Employee Implications**

- 5.1 There are no staffing implications for the Council

## **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1 The cost of the service will be determined by the outcome of the tender process and will be met from existing budget subject to monies in relation to Youth Justice being confirmed from the Scottish Government.

## **7. Other Implications**

- 7.1 The tender will be an open process in line with Part 3, Regulation 15 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.

## **8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 8.1 The appropriate service managers have been consulted in relation to the tender process.

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7 September 2007

### **Link(s) to Council Objectives**

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

- Creating successful communities
- Living in the Community
- Supporting Our Communities

### **Previous References**

None

### **List of Background Papers**

None

### **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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