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Report to:	Social Work Resources
Date of Meeting:	20 September 2006
Report by:	Executive Director (Social Work Resources)

Subject:	Tender for Accommodation With Support for Adults with a Learning Disability
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ To seek approval to enter into a tender process to provide accommodation with support for adults with a learning disability
- ◆ To seek authority to invite tenders from suitable providers and award the contract to the successful tenderer

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 accommodation with support for adults with a learning disability
- (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 tenderer

3. Background

- 3.1. The Lanarkshire learning disability hospital closure programme is nearing completion. Thirteen service users with high support needs remain in Kirklands Hospital.
- 3.2. A previous committee report dated 6 April 2005 gave authority to negotiate a contract for this service with Parkcare Homes Ltd who approached the Council with a proposal to build accommodation on an existing site. This provider has now withdrawn their proposal and an alternative service is required.
- 3.3. It is now proposed that Social Work Resources in Partnership with Housing and Technical Resources, Communities Scotland and Arklet Housing Association commission a purpose built accommodation in the Cambuslang area to meet their needs. This tender will appoint the care provider for this service.

4. Commissioning of a Service Provider

- 4.1. It is proposed that a range of specialist providers be invited to tender for the contract by public advertisement, in line with Standing Order 9 of the Standing Orders on Contracts.

5. Employee Implications

- 5.1. None

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1. The costs associated will be met from resource transfer from NHS Lanarkshire and existing Social Work budgets. The cost will be determined by the assessment of the level of the service user's needs and the outcome of a tender process to meet these needs.

7. Other Implications

- 7.1. None

8. Consultation

- 8.1. The proposal has been subject to consultation with Housing and Technical Resources, Communities Scotland and Arklet Housing Association.

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Executive Director (Social Work Resources)

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Link(s) to Council Objectives

- Living in the Community
- Supporting Our Communities
- Forecast, in particular to Council Objectives on Supporting Communities/Health

Previous References

Social Work Committee 6 April 2005 Ref: ADLT0507

List of Background Papers

Social Work Committee 6 April 2005 - ADLT0507

Contact for Further Information

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