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REPORT TO: Members' Library Service

DATE :

BY: Executive Director (Services for Communities)

SUBJECT: Design and Build Contract for a New Play Area at
Lochend Road, Dunbar

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To approve the award of the contract for the design and build of a new play area at Lochend Road, Dunbar.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Cabinet is asked to note that the Executive Director (Services for Communities), as appointed representative under Standing Order Rule 43 (1) and delegation Appendix G (Tenders) thereto, and after consultation with the Executive Director (Support Services) has approved the appointment of the Crawford Group for the design and build of a new play area at Lochend Road, Dunbar for a fixed sum of £87,181.37 ex VAT.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Consultation by Ashfield Tenants and Residents Association (ATRA) of local residents and children highlighted there was strong desire for a new play area to be created in the Lochend/Latch Road area of Dunbar to replace the existing play area at Latch Road.
- 3.2 The Latch Road play area is in need of refurbishment and is inadequate to meet the needs of the local child population following the construction of the adjacent new housing development at Ashfield Gardens. There is, however, no available space to extend the existing play area, due to the proximity of neighbouring houses, without disturbing the neighbours.
- 3.3 The preferred option, therefore, is to create a new play area in the large open space on Lochend Road, opposite the location of the existing play area.

- 3.4 Landscape and Countryside Officers, in partnership with ATRA prepared a design brief for the project. Local community participation in the project is important to ensure that, on completion of the installation, the community takes ownership of the facility and helps to manage it use.
- 3.5 In September 2011 the Council entered into a Framework Agreement for the Play Area Design & Build, Supply of Play Equipment and Spare Parts (Con-11 - 016) with a number of play companies. The five play companies who were awarded the Framework Agreement for the Play Area Design and Build Lot were:
- Jupiter Play & Leisure Ltd
 - Russell Leisure Ltd
 - HAGS Play Ltd
 - Crawford Group
 - Playdale Playgrounds Ltd
- 3.6 The design brief was then issued to the five play companies above with the view of appointing one of the play companies for the design and build the play area for a fixed sum of £100,000 ex VAT.
- 3.7 The five play companies were asked to submit a design for the play area, with each submission assessed and scored using the Evaluation Criteria detailed in Appendix 1, a summary of which is provided below:

Ref	Play Company	Total Score	Percentage
1	Crawford Group Option 2	104	87%
2	Russell Leisure Ltd Option 2	98	82%
3	HAGS Play Ltd	94	78%
4=	Crawford Group Option 1	85	71%
4=	Russell Leisure Ltd Option 1	85	71%
6	Jupiter Play & Leisure Ltd	79	66%
7	Playdale Playgrounds Ltd	77	64%

- 3.8 The Crawford Group achieved the highest score and is the preferred play company for the project.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 An Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out and no negative impacts have been found.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial – The total expenditure for this work will not exceed £96,780 ex VAT. (£87,181.37 Crawford Group tender sum plus £9,598.00 for safe surfacing provided by Amenity Services).The total cost of the project will be funded from a donation of £56,846 from ATRA, £12,397 from the Local Housing Priorities Fund and £27,536.64 Developer Contribution from Miller Homes Ltd. through the Ashfield Gardens Section 75 Agreement. This project will be carried out at nil net cost to the General Services budget. Subsequent versions of the Capital Plan will contain this project.

The revenue costs for maintaining the facility will be minimal and can be met from the Amenity Services budget.

6.2 Personnel – None.

6.3 Other – None.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Design Brief for New Play Area at Lochend Road, Dunbar.

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Appendix1. Lochend Road Play Area Tender Evaluation

LOCHEND ROAD PLAY AREA TENDER EVALUATION

Play Company	Tender Received On Time	Toddlers 40%	Juniors 60%	Defined Play Space	Risk & Adventure	Natural Play	Play Value	Suitability of Equipment	Safety Surfacing	Theme	Accessible/ Inclusive	Seats/ Litterbins	Working group Preference	Children's Preference	Total Score
Russells Leisure Ltd Option 1	10	9	9	9	8	4	8	8	10	2	6	2			85
Russells Leisure Ltd Option 1	10	9	9	9	8	4	8	8	10	2	6	2	8	5	98
Jupiter Play & Leisure Ltd	10	8	8	7	6	4	7	7	10	2	8	2			79
Crawford Group Option 1	10	9	9	8	8	4	8	7	10	2	7	3			85
Crawford Group Option 2	10	9	9	8	8	4	8	7	10	2	7	3	9	10	104
HAGS Play Ltd	10	9	9	8	7	4	8	7	10	2	4	2	10	4	94
Playdale Playgrounds Ltd	10	8	8	6	7	3	7	7	10	2	7	2			77
Score	10	10	10	10	10	5	10	10	10	2	10	3	10	10	120