



**POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 13 JUNE 2013**

**TENDER ACCEPTANCE REPORT – ABOYNE ACADEMY - UPGRADE ALL WEATHER PITCH  
CONTRACT 17478**

**1. Recommendations**

**It is recommended that the Policy and Resources Committee:**

- 1. Gives approval of the project cost of £296,907.30. inclusive of associated costs detailed in the report.**
- 2. Authorises acceptance of the tender submitted by DOE Sports (North) Limited in the corrected amount of £280,101.23.**

**2. Background**

- 2.1 The requirement for a community All Weather facility in Aboyne has been identified as a priority in the Marr Area Plan. A community project group was established to move this project forward, which included representatives from the school, who have identified a need to replace the existing 'red blaes' pitch facility at the academy. The proposed work represents a project to both improve existing outdoor school pitch facilities and also provide a valued community resource that can be used for physical activity and sport. The community group has raised approximately 50% of the project cost through developer contributions and local fundraising, with the rest of the project cost obtained from the Council. The project is anticipated to cost approximately £350,000 inclusive of fees.
- 2.2 The works comprise upgrading the existing blaes pitch with a modern all weather synthetic multi-use grass surface to FIH and FIFA 1 star certification including new perimeter fence, floodlights and drainage.
- 2.3 The new generation of artificial surfaces is easier to maintain than natural grass fields and provides an excellent playing surface which accommodates considerably more use than the natural grass equivalent.
- 2.4 The Head of Finance has been consulted and is in agreement and notes the proposed funding package.
- 2.5 The Monitoring Officer within Corporate Services has been consulted and has no comment.
- 2.6 The Procurement Business Partner has been consulted and has no comment.

### 3. Equalities, Staffing and Financial Implications

3.1 An Equality Impact Assessment was not required because the recommended actions will not have a differential impact upon people with protected characteristics.

3.2 Tender documents were issued to the following contractors:-

Hunter Construction  
Replay – Ecosse  
DOE Sports (North) Limited  
Sportsmasters UK Ltd  
Land Engineering (Scotland) Ltd

3.3 Tender sums in ascending order, before and after checking, were as follows:-

Tender prices Before Checking	Tender prices after Checking
£ 282,845.40	£ 280,101.23
£ 304,498.72	£ 303,986.29
£ 343,757.26	£343,757.26
£ 356,581.40	Not Checked

One contractor failed to return the tender documents

3.4 The lowest correct tender in the amount of £ 280,101.23 was submitted by DOE Sports (North) Limited

3.5 The overall cost of the project is inclusive of 6% property costs is £296,907.30.

3.6 There are no direct staffing implications for this project.

3.7 The cost of the project is being met from:

Capital Plan , School Enhancement Budget	£ 122,907.30
Community Development Group	£ 30,000.00
Mid Deeside Limited	£ 22,000.00
Local Fundraising	£ 5,000.00
Planning Gain	£ 117,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 296,907.30</b>

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