



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Strategic Policy & Resources Committee
Subject:	Duncrue Complex Fuel Storage Facilities and Associated Infrastructure Works
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Relevant Background Information

The Council's Capital Programme has yet to be endorsed politically and will have a major impact on the City Investment Strategy.

It is therefore proposed to ask the party groups to consider a draft Capital Programme during March, along with reports on the City Investment Fund and Asset Management.

However, there are a number of urgent projects which should be advanced now for valid reasons.

The existing fuel station at the Duncrue Complex has been in place for about 30 years and has reached the end of its operational life.

A proposal is included in the Capital Programme for the replacement of the fuel station, of which the storage tanks and the infrastructure for the fuel pumps and canopy form part.

Key Issues

The nature of the proposed works (civil engineering) is such that it should ideally be executed during the summer months and is necessary to enable continuing operation of the Council's vehicle fleet.

Applications for inclusion on a Select List of potential contractors have been invited by public advertisement and tender documentation is currently being prepared.

Tenders will be evaluated on the basis of quality and cost in order to ascertain that which offers the most economically advantageous bid for the works.

Resource Implications

An amount of £585,000 is included in the draft 08/09 Capital Programme for the replacement of the fuel station.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee approves:

1. the invitation of tenders; and
2. application being made to the appropriate Government Department for sanction to raise a loan for the cost of the project.