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Strathclyde Partnership for Transport

Minute of Chair's Committee

16 October 2007

held in Consort House, Glasgow

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Minute of the meeting of the Strathclyde Partnership for Transport Chair's Committee held in Consort House, Glasgow, on 16 October 2007.

Present Councillors Alistair Watson (Chair), David Fagan and Davie McLachlan.

Attending Kirsten Clubb, Committee Clerk, Gordon Maclennan, Assistant Chief Executive, (Customer Services) and Charlie Hoskins, Director, Major Projects.

1. **Glasgow Airport rail link project (Phase II) – appointment of contractor for ground investigation.**

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With reference to the minute of the Partnership (page 7, paragraph 5) when the Partnership had

- (1) noted that it was the intention to award one single contract for the branch line civil engineering work on a design and build basis for the Glasgow Airport Rail Link (GARL), supported by a number of early work contracts; and
- (2) agreed, *inter alia*, that due to the critical timescale involved, to remit to a Chair's Committee the award of an advance ground investigation contract which was critical to enable the branch line design and build tender documents to be released in Spring 2008,

there was submitted a report (issued) of 15 October 2007 by the Assistant Chief Executive (Transport and Strategy),

- (a) detailing the process undertaken for the procurement of a contractor to undertake ground investigation works for the GARL project;
- (b) informing members that it was anticipated that the contract would be carried out in two distinct phases as detailed in the report;
- (c) explaining that to enable the best value tender to be identified it had been necessary to combine the submitted tendered cost for Phase 1 with an assessment of the submitted rates for Phase 2; and
- (d) recommending that the committee approve acceptance of the lowest tenderer submitted by Soil Mechanics at an estimated value for Phase 1 of £1,246,392.80 based on the terms outlined in the report.

After consideration and having heard Mr Hoskins in answer to members' questions, the committee

- (i) approved the recommendation at (d) above:- and
- (ii) noted

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- (a) that this was a re-measurable contract for works specified as Phase 1 and that the final cost would reflect the actual quantities incurred on the ground investigation, rather than the design quantities which might vary due to the nature of the work; and
- (b) that although the costs associated with Phase 2 were not included in the above tendered cost the final cost would reflect also the Phase 2 work subsequently specified and undertaken in line with the tendered costs.

2. Conference

The committee agreed that two members be authorised to attend the "Integrated Transport 2007: Developing our Transport Network" conference to be held in Birmingham on 27 November 2007.