Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council

Portrush Public Realm Scheme	8 August 2017
To: The Leisure and Development Committee **For Information**	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Accelerating our Economy and Contributing to Prosperity
Outcome	The Borough will be seen as an attractive place to work, live, invest or visit
Lead Officer	Head of Service, Prosperity and Place Regeneration Manager
Cost: (If applicable)	N/A

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the advanced supply of granite paving materials for the Portrush Public Realm Scheme.

Background

Further to the instruction by Council in May 2017, *'to authorise the Leisure & Development Director to manage the advanced materials procurement contract including placement of the order up to the value of £160,000'*, the advanced procurement of materials for their exclusive use in the above scheme has been concluded. The purpose of undertaking the advanced purchase was to mitigate contractor delays following the main contract award which is anticipated in September 2017. Time remains the main constraint in concluding the scheme in advance of The Open 2019.

One tender was received, from Hardscape Products Ltd.:

Pre Tender Estimated Value of the contract   £ 119,650.00

Tender Return value.   £   84,493.64

The Tender Return received is 29.4% below the Pre Tender Estimate.

The procurement process including assessment was managed by AECOM PLC. Along with Council. In AECOM's opinion the Tender Return received from Hardscape Products Ltd. is fair and reasonable given the scope and nature of the works. The Tender Return was complete and passed all aspects of the quality submission. Queries with the Tender Return were minor and have been addressed. The Department of Finance's Central Procurement Directorate observed and reviewed the assessment process. There were no issues raised.

On this basis the order valued at £84,493.64 has been placed with Hardscape Products Ltd. to provide the materials for delivery in Northern Ireland before 31st October 2017.