REPORT TO:	Executive Sub Board
DATE	29 January 2009
REPORTING OFFICER:	Strategic Director: Corporate and Policy
SUBJECT:	Acceptance of Tender for Halton Lea Library
WARDS:	Borough-wide

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform members that the Strategic Director Corporate and Policy has accepted a tender relating to the refurbishment of Halton Lea Library and a contract has been entered into with the successful contractor.
- 2. RECOMMENDATION: That Members note that the tender submitted by Globe Management Services Ltd has been accepted by the Strategic Director Corporate and Policy, and a contract has been entered into, with a contract sum of £1,351,188.00

3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 An application to the Big Lottery Community Libraries Programme was made by the Library Service in March 2007 to upgrade the facilities at Halton Lea Library.
- 3.2 The Council was informed in October 2007 that the bid had been successful with a grant of £1,271,933; additional funding from the Capital Programme £250,000 and £195,000 from the maintenance budget has further enhanced this grant.
- 3.3 Six contractors selected from Construction line were invited for interview prior to the tender documents being sent out. Tenders were then invited in the traditional manner under standing orders with the following results: -

Cruden Construction Limited	£1,615,000.00
Globe Management Services Limited	£1,351,188.00
White Building Services	£1,468,906.00
John Turner & Sons	£1,723,136.00
B & D Croft	£1,477,439.00
Thomas Barnes & Sons	£1,427,814.00

- 3.4 From the careful analysis of the above tenders, Globe Management Services Limited were recommended for acceptance, their tender being the lowest received conforming to the specified tender documents for the project
- 3.5 The accepted tender in the sum of £1,351,188.00 is within the overall budget allowances as outlined in item 3.2
- 3.6 The project programme and details of all health and safety issues have been agreed with Library Services and the completion of the project is planned for June 2009 and will be carried out in two phases, with the library partly open for the duration of the contract.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The scheme is fully funded as outlined in 3.2
- 4.3 The works are being carried out in line with the draft climate change policy and outline carbon management plan as a number of sustainability elements are being built into the scheme which will contribute to reducing carbon emissions within the borough.
- 5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS None
- 6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES
- 6.1 **Children and Young People in Halton** n/a
- 6.2 **Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton** n/a
- 6.3 **A Healthy Halton** n/a
- 6.4 **A Safer Halton** n/a
- 6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal n/a
- 6.6 **Corporate Effectiveness and Business Efficiency**

The newly refurbished library will contribute towards maximizing the use of library space available to the public. In the process there will be significant energy savings and a reduction in the carbon footprint for the authority

7. RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 Not applicable

8. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

	Document	Place of Inspection	Contact Officer
8.1	Tender report	Property services	Martin McCrimmon