



Strathclyde Partnership for Transport

Minute of Operations Committee

25 January 2019

held in 131 St Vincent Street, Glasgow

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Minute of the meeting of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport's Operations Committee held in 131 St Vincent Street, Glasgow, on 25 January 2019

Present Councillors David Wilson (Chair), Martin Bartos, Colin Cameron, Graham Hardie, Michael McPake, Alan Moir, and Donald Reid and appointed member Gregory Beecroft.

Attending Valerie Davidson, Assistant Chief Executive/Secretary; Heather Maclean, Committee Officer; Gordon MacLennan, Chief Executive; Charlie Hoskins, Senior Director; Alex Scott, Bus Services Manager; Margaret Anne Miller, Customer Standards Officer and Karen O'Donnell, Compliance Manager.

1. Apologies

Apologies were submitted from Councillors Malcolm Balfour, Graham Campbell, Michael Cullen and Marie McGurk, and appointed member Graham Johnston.

2. Declaration of interest in terms of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc (Scotland) Act 2000

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minute of previous meeting

The minute of the meeting of 9 November 2018 was submitted and approved as a correct record with no matters arising.

4. Monitoring Report on Public Transport Services in the SPT Area

There was submitted a report (issued) of 3 January 2019 by the Senior Director;

- (a) reporting on the operational performance of public transport services and public transport facilities which are delivered directly by the Partnership or by others on behalf of the Partnership, and
- (b) reporting on provision of public transport services and facilities in the Partnership area more generally.

After significant discussion and having heard from Messrs Hoskins and Scott and Ms O'Dennell in further explanation and in answer to members' questions, the committee noted the terms of the report.

5. Subsidised Local Bus Service Contract Recommendations: Financial Implications

There was submitted a report (issued) of 9 January 2019 by the Assistant Chief Executive, with regards to the financial implications of the subsidised bus contract recommendations being considered at the meeting.

After consideration, the committee noted that while a decrease in costs was projected for those contracts being recommended for approval, a significant number required to be re-tendered as the prices received were considerably in excess of the available budget.

6. Contracts awarded under delegated powers

There was submitted a report (issued) of 17 January 2019 by the Assistant Chief Executive advising the Committee of subsidised local bus service contracts being awarded utilising delegated powers.

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The Committee noted the contents of the report.

7. Amendments to subsidised local bus service contracts

After consideration of a report (issued) of 9 January 2019 by the Assistant Chief Executive outlining changes to subsidised local bus services arising from changed market circumstances, the committee noted the amendments to subsidised local bus services, as detailed in the Appendix to the report.

8. Proposed award of subsidised local bus service contracts

There was submitted a report (issued) of 17 January 2019 by the Assistant Chief Executive recommending the approval of the award of a number of subsidised local bus service contracts detailed in the appendix to the report.

After discussion, the committee approved the contract awards as recommended and noted that a further test of the market will be undertaken for all remaining contracts.

9. Requests for subsidised local bus service contracts

There was submitted a report (issued) of 17 January 2019 by the Assistant Chief Executive recommending that members note the recent requests for subsidised local bus services and after consideration approved all recommended actions as detailed in the report.

10. Contract for the provision of Cleaning Services

There was submitted a report (issued) of 17 January 2019 by the Assistant Chief Executive recommending the approval of the award of contract for a maximum of ten years for cleaning services of SPT facilities to Churchill Contract Services Ltd for a contract value of £15,565,722 (subject to inflationary uplifts)

After discussion and hearing from Ms Davidson and Ms Miller in answer to members' questions, the Committee approved the award of contract, noting that suitable break clauses in contract are included.