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## **Strathclyde Partnership for Transport**

### **Minute of Chair's Committee meeting**

**29 February 2008**

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 29 February 2008.

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**Present** Councillors Alistair Watson (Chair) and Davie McLachlan.

**Attending** Valerie Davidson, Secretary/Assistant Chief Executive (Business Support); Ron Culley, Chief Executive and Eric Stewart, Director of Bus Operations.

### 1. Minute of previous meeting

The minute of 9 January 2008 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

### 2. Acquisition of vehicles for Flexibus project

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There was submitted a report (issued) of 26 February 2008 by the Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Services)

- (1) detailing tenders received for the supply of five large flexible vehicles to implement the "Flexibus" project in a range of council areas;
- (2) explaining that the vehicles would be used to provide a range of alternative services in partnership with constituent authorities and other public bodies, including the operation of mainstream school transport, transport for pupils with mobility support needs, recreational transport for pupils, social services and health service transport and subsidised local services;
- (3) informing members
  - (a) that the following constituent authorities would be working in partnership with SPT for the initial implementation of the vehicles:-
    - North Ayrshire,
    - North Lanarkshire,
    - South Lanarkshire; and
    - Renfrewshire or West Dunbartonshire; and
  - (b) that working together in this way would maximise the use of the vehicles, reduce the costs and significantly improve the quality of service;
- (4) enclosing as appendices to the report, schematic drawings of the proposed vehicles; and
- (5) recommending that based on the price, quality and delivery timescale the contract be awarded to Alexander Dennis Ltd for delivery of the vehicles by 31 March 2008 at a cost of £609,320.

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After discussion and having heard Mr Stewart in answer to members' questions, the committee approved the recommendation at (5) above.