



Amendments to subsidised local bus service contracts

Committee Operations

Date of meeting 28 April 2023

Date of report 18 April 2023

Report by Chief Executive

1. Object of report

To advise the Committee of amendments to subsidised local and MyBus bus service contracts since the last Committee meeting of 27 January 2023.

2. Background

It is necessary to adjust subsidised local and MyBus bus service contracts to react to external factors such as the fluidity of the commercial local bus network or road / traffic management issues in order to ensure, as far as possible, service continuity to the travelling public.

In addition to those contracts detailed in Appendix 1, SPT continue to adjust a number of others to align their delivery on local and national public holidays with commercial provision.

Processes continue to ensure that all subsidised local bus service contracts are monitored and reviewed on a sustainable basis whilst meeting obligations in terms of best value, therefore ensuring that funding is used to greatest effect.

3. Outline of proposals

The Committee is recommended to note the amendments to subsidised local bus contracts, in accordance with established corporate governance, financial regulation and contract standing orders.

4. Consequences

Policy consequences

In line with SPT's Framework for Supporting Local Bus Services Where service changes result in marginal impacts, satisfactory alternative transport services are available.

Legal consequences

Proposed amendments are in accordance with the conditions of contract for transport services.

Financial consequences

The amendments to contracts detailed in this committee paper will result in increased costs of £83,981 to SPT in 2023/2024 when compared to the 2023/2024 budget projection.

Personnel consequences	<i>None directly.</i>
Equalities consequences	<i>None directly.</i>
Risk consequences	<i>None directly.</i>
Climate Change, Adaptation & Carbon consequences	<i>No significant impact.</i>

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APPENDIX 1

Amendments to subsidised local bus service contracts

Contract	Service No	Description	Operator	Effective date	Remarks	Cost	Local Authority
W033K	15	Glasgow - Anniesland - Milngavie	West Coast Motors	5 February 2023	At the request of the contractor, alteration to the timetable to increase frequency from 60 minutes to 30 minutes, within both the commercial and subsidised element of service 15, on a trial basis.	Cost neutral	GCC, EDC
9600C	R965 / M85	Gryffe Valley DRT	Shuttle Buses	12 February 2023	Reinstatement of suspended resource to provide DRT Services.	£1,138.36 increase per week	GCC, SLC
7918J	545	Inverclyde Royal Hospital - McInroy's Point	McGill's Buses	26 February 2023	Alteration to the Monday to Saturday timetable of service 545 to remove a late evening journey, due to low passenger demand.	£111.89 reduction per week	IC
9593J	13 / 19A / 31B / 211 226/227/ 228 230 / 399	East Kilbride - Hamilton (13) Buchanan Bus Station - Robroyston (19A) Carmunnock - East Kilbride (31B) Motherwell - Airdrie (211) Little Earnock - Hillhouse (226) Hamilton - High Earnock (227/228) Silvertonhill - Hamilton Bus Station (230) Greenhills - Hairmyres Rail Station (399)	JMB Travel	2 April 2023	Alteration to service 31B timetable to improve connectivity/interchange within Carmunnock. Early morning and evening journeys removed due to low passenger demand.	£104.91 reduction per week	GCC, NLC, SLC

9557H	8/8A, 9 / 39 / 135 / 202	Glespin - Lesmahagow - Lanark (8/8A) Glespin - Lanark (9,39) Lanark - New Lanark/ Lanark Local (135) Monklands Hospital - Salsburgh (202)	Stuarts Coaches	25 April 2023	Service 135 element of contract removed, following review.	£67.93 reduction per week	SLC
W071B	135 / 317B	Lanark - New Lanark/ Lanark Local (135) Lanark - Crossford (317B)	Stuarts Coaches	25 April 2023	Alteration to the Monday to Saturday timetable of service 135 to remove early morning and late afternoon journeys, due to low passenger demand. Temporary suspension of Saturday and Sunday timetable due to driver resource issues.	£169.75 reduction per week	SLC
W051E	10 / 20	Hawkhead - Paisley - Royal Alexandra Hospital (10) Johnstone - Royal Alexandra Hospital - Paisley (20)	McGill's Buses	1 May 2023	Introduction of new Saturday daytime service 20, to provide links between Johnstone Castle, Cochrane Castle and Elderslie. Also, service number change from service 20 to service 20A of existing Sunday daytime provision, as a consequence of McGill's commercial network changes, effective from 1 May 2023.	£248.00 increase per week	RC
W065E	1/A 2/A X6A X7	Kilmacolm - Bridge of Weir - Houston - Linwood - Johnstone Greenock - Kilmacolm	McGill's Buses	1 May 2023	Alteration to the route and timetable of service X6A, to incorporate the servicing of Kilbarchan as service X6B, as a consequence of McGill's commercial network changes, effective from 1 May 2023.	£205.62 increase per week	IC, RC
W085F	307	Lochwinnoch - Howwood - Johnstone	McGill's Buses	1 May 2023	Alteration to the route and timetable of service 307, to incorporate the servicing of Johnstone Castle and Spateston as service 307A, as a consequence of McGill's commercial network changes, effective from 1 May 2023.	£91.39 increase per week	RC

W155A	343	Cumbernauld Local	PVT Transfer	16 July 2023	Alteration to the Monday to Friday timetable of service 343 to remove early morning and evening journeys due to low passenger demand, effective from contract commencement.	£170.00 reduction per week	NLC
W130D	147/A / 247	Monklands Hospital - Cumbernauld - Kirkintilloch/Kilsyth 147/A 247	Canavan Travel	16 July 2023	Contract extension from 16 July 2023 until 12 July 2025 as per optional award. Negotiated contract extension incorporates a slightly revised timetable.	£1942.31 increase per week	NLC, EDC