



Contracts awarded under delegated powers

Committee Operations

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Report by Assistant Chief Executive

1. Object of report

To notify the Committee of subsidised local bus service contracts awarded utilising delegated powers.

2. Background

It has been necessary to award subsidised local bus service contracts as allowed for in the Scheme of Delegations. This has been done in order to react to commercial local bus market changes and to award contracts where tender bids for the long-term equivalent have proved unaffordable and unsustainable in the longer-term. In each circumstance, SPT endeavoured to encourage the market to respond commercially, although this was unsuccessful.

Appendix 1 details the subsidised local bus service contracts involved since August 2019.

Tendering processes continue to ensure that all contracts are monitored, reviewed and where justified, replaced on a sustainable basis.

3. Committee action

The Committee is recommended to note the subsidised local bus service contracts awarded, utilising delegated powers, thus ensuring that socially necessary gaps in the public transport network arising from commercial local bus market changes are provided for.

4. Consequences

Policy consequences	<i>In line with Regional Transport Strategy.</i>
Legal consequences	<i>All contracts are awarded subject to SPT's conditions of contract for transport contracts and where applicable, vehicle lease agreements.</i>
Financial consequences	<i>The award of contracts detailed in the committee paper will result in additional costs to SPT of £81,900 in 2019/20.</i>
Personnel consequences	<i>None directly.</i>

Equalities consequences

Seeks to reduce the incidence of social exclusion by supporting socially necessary bus services.

Risk consequences

None directly.

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APPENDIX 1

Contracts awarded utilising delegated powers - for noting

Service No	Description	Original Operator	Start / End	Remarks	Contract Cost	Awarded to
212	Airdrie – Coatbridge – Kirkwood – Baillieston (Option)	First Glasgow	18 August 2019/ 15 February 2020	Following the withdrawal of commercial service 2 between Baillieston and Airdrie by First Glasgow, a 6 month contract has been awarded to provide time to develop, advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£57,200, which equates to £2,200 per week	McNairn's Coaches
19A	Robroyston – Buchanan Bus Station	First Glasgow	27 October 2019/ 25 April 2020	Following the withdrawal of commercial service 19A by First Glasgow, a 6 month contract has been awarded to provide time to develop, advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£29,640, which equates to £1,140 per week	First Glasgow