

Community Participation Requests Annual Report 2024/25

Background

SPT has a duty as a listed public authority to consider participation requests from the community. These requests are required to be considered under Section 32 of the Empowerment Act (2015).

Additional information on community empowerment and asset transfers can be found on the Scottish Government website at: https://www.gov.scot/policies/community-empowerment/participation-requests/

The following information details requests made between 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025.

Annual Report on Participation Requests (1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025)

Number of requests received: One

Number of requests agreed to and refused:

Agreed: None

Refused: One

Number of requests which resulted in changes to a public service provided by or on behalf of SPT: None

The Participation Request referenced above was submitted by Arran Community & Voluntary Service (ACVS) to Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) on 24th June 2024 in terms of Section 22 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 ("the 2015 Act").

ACVS made a request to work collaboratively with SPT to improve the coordination of MyBus Services delivered by SPT on the island of Arran.

SPT's Decision Notice in response to the Participation Request can be found here: **Decision Notice**

Promote and support for the use of participation requests

SPT is a statutory Community Planning Partner and we work with our Community Planning Partners to support community benefit.

SPT's website includes details of arrangements for Asset Transfer and Participation Requests including links to Scottish Government Guidance. Additional support for completion of application forms will be available via enquiry@spt.co.uk