



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 June 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 £163,684 in 2019/20.</i>
Personnel consequences	<i>None directly.</i>
Equalities consequences	<i>Seeks to reduce the incidence of social exclusion by supporting socially necessary bus services.</i>
Risk consequences	<i>None directly.</i>

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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
M15, M96, 900	Three Valleys DRT	JMB Travel	14 July 2019/ 28 March 2020	Despite repeated endeavours to secure a sustainable solution, procurement through prevailing method has produced tender returns in excess of current guidelines. A contract has therefore been awarded for 8 months, to allow exploration of alternative solutions to reduce costs.	£181,115, which equates to £4,895 per week	JMB Travel
142	Bishopbriggs Local	Glasgow Citybus	14 July 2019/ 11 July 2020	Following the withdrawal of the commercial element of the service by Glasgow Citybus, a 12 month contract has therefore been awarded, to provide sufficient time to develop, advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£49,930, which equates to £960 per week	Glasgow Citybus
38	Kilwinning, David Gage Street - Blacklands	Shuttle Buses	14 July 2019/ 11 July 2020	Following the withdrawal of commercial service 38 by Shuttle Buses, a 12 month contact has been awarded, to provide sufficient time to to develop, advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£55,440, which equates to £1,066 per week	Shuttle Buses
15	Anniesland - Milngavie	McGill's	11 August 2019/ 17 July 2021	Following the termination of recently awarded contract W033F, the next best value tender has been awarded.	£251,692 which equates to £2,492 per week	Glasgow Citybus

