



### Contracts awarded under delegated powers

**Committee**            Operations

**Date of meeting**    25 January 2019

**Date of report**    9 January 2019

#### 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 a temporary contract where tender bids for the long-term 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 November 2018.

Tendering processes continue to ensure that all temporary 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	The award of contracts detailed in the committee paper will result in additional costs to SPT of £10,575 in 2018/19 and £40,231 in 2019/10.
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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Contracts awarded under delegated powers - for noting

Contract	Service No	Description	Original Operator	Start / End	Remarks	Contract Cost	Awarded to
W138T	212	Monklands Hospital – Plains - Caldercruix	McGill's	25 November 2018 / 13 July 2019	Following the withdrawal of McGill's commercial service 212, McNairn's Coaches registered a commercial Monday to Friday service which largely replaces the withdrawn provision. A short-term contract has been awarded, to ensure early weekday, morning and late afternoon journey options are covered, as well as all-day Saturday provision. This award provides sufficient time to develop, advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£14,850, which equates to £450 per week	McNairn's Coaches
W141T	MGB DRT1	Upper Inverkip – Wemyss Bay – Upper Skelmorlie	McGill's	13 January 2019 / 13 July 2019	Following the withdrawal of McGill's commercial DRT service for Upper Inverkip, Wemyss Bay and Skelmorlie, SPT advertised a temporary contract for a local service to cover the gap in the network. McGill's submitted an optional tender to continue the existing DRT service and a short-term contract has been awarded, to provide sufficient time to develop advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£28,250.04, which equates to £1,087 per week	McGill's

**Appendix 1**

Contract	Service No	Description	Original Operator	Start / End	Remarks	Contract Cost	Awarded to
9603T7	DRT, 344/A, 348, 349, 403/A/B	Croy Station – Blackwood – Twechar – Queenzieburn – Kilsyth – Banton/ Croy Station – Carrickstone – Seafar – Cumbernauld - Greenfaulds	McGill's	13 January 2019 / 13 July 2019	Despite repeated endeavours to secure a sustainable solution, procurement through prevailing methods has produced tender returns in excess of current guidelines. A further short-term contract has therefore been awarded, to provide sufficient time to develop, advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£152,880, which equates to £5,880 per week	Stuarts Coaches