Committee report

SPT

Temporary subsidised local bus contracts awarded

Committee Operations

Date of meeting 10 November 2017 Date of report 16 October 2017

Report by Assistant Chief Executive (Operations)

1. Object of report

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

2. Background

It is necessary to award temporary subsidised local bus contracts as allowed for in the Scheme of Delegations to react to commercial local bus market changes and ensure that, where budget allows, service continuity to the travelling public continues. Appendix 1 details the temporary subsidised local bus contracts delivered since October 2017.

Tendering processes continue to ensure these are replaced on a sustainable basis.

3. Committee action

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

4. Consequences

Policy consequences:	In line with Regional Transport Strategy.			
Legal consequences:	All contracts are awarded subject to the terms and conditions of contract for transport services.			
Financial consequences:	The award of temporary contracts detailed in the committee paper will result in additional costs to SPT of £52,047 in 2017/18 if projected to March 2018.			
Personnel consequences:	None.			
Equalities consequences:	Seeks to reduce the incidence of social exclusion by supporting socially necessary services.			
Risk consequences:	None.			

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Service No	Description	Original Operator	Start / End	Remarks	Cost per week	Awarded to
307	Johnstone – Howwood - Lochwinnoch	McGill's	1 October 2017/ 17 February 2018	Following the withdrawal of a commercial local bus service by McGill's, a further temporary contract has been awarded, to provide sufficient time to advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£1,019 per week	C & R Coaches
47, 47A	Carluke Local/ Carluke – Lower Braidwood	Stuarts	15 October 2017/ 17 February 2018	Following the registration of duplicate provision via a commercial Monday to Friday service by JMB Travel, SPT withdrew the financial support for contract W072A and a temporary contract has subsequently been delivered for the remaining Saturday provision. This will thereafter provide sufficient time to advertise and award a sustainable replacement.	£200 per week	JMB Travel
59	Mosspark – Glasgow City Centre	McGill's	19 November 2017/ 17 February 2018	Despite repeated endeavours to secure a sustainable long-term solution on this route, procurement through the prevailing method has produced tender returns in excess of guidelines. A temporary solution, achieved through delegated powers, has therefore been delivered, whilst the period of travel pattern analysis is extended and procurement exercise is repeated.	£786 per week	McGill's
49	Southpark Village – Silverburn – Govan Bus Station	First	10 December 2017/ 7 April 2018	Despite repeated endeavours to secure a sustainable long-term solution on this route, procurement through the prevailing method has produced tender returns in excess of guidelines. A temporary solution, achieved through delegated powers, has therefore been delivered, whilst the period of travel pattern analysis is extended and procurement exercise is repeated.	£385 per week	McGill's