

Amendments to subsidised local bus service contracts

Committee Operations

Date of meeting09 November 2018Date of report25 October 2018

Report by Assistant Chief Executive

1. Object of report

To advise the Committee of amendments to subsidised local bus service contracts since the last Committee meeting, on 24 August 2018.

2. Background

It is necessary to adjust subsidised local bus service contracts to react to external factors, such as the fluidity of the commercial local bus network or road / traffic management issues in order to ensure as far as possible, service continuity to the travelling public. Appendix 1 details such amendments.

In addition to those contracts detailed in Appendix 1, SPT has made adjustments to a number of others to align their delivery on local and national public holidays with commercial provision.

Processes continue to ensure that all subsidised local bus service contracts are monitored and reviewed on a sustainable basis, whilst meeting obligations in terms of best value, therefore ensuring that funding is used to greatest effect.

3. Committee action

The Committee is recommended to note the amendments to subsidised local bus contracts, in accordance with established corporate governance, financial regulations and standing orders.

4. Consequences

Policy consequences:In line with Regional Transport Strategy.Legal consequences:All amendments are permitted in terms of SPT's
conditions of contract for transport contracts.

Financial consequences:	The amendments to contracts detailed in the committee paper will result in savings of £12,486 to SPT and additional costs to Argyll and Bute Council of £46 in 2018/19.
Personnel consequences:	None directly.
Equalities consequences:	None directly.
Risk consequences:	None directly.

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Appendix 1

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Contract	Service No	Description	Operator	Effective date	Remarks	Cost	Local Authority
W097E	374	Shawlands - Clarkston - Silverburn	McGill's	9 August 2018	Route alteration due to the closure of Boydstone Road to facilitate junction improvement works on Barrhead Road, by Glasgow City Council for an estimated 10 week period.	Cost neutral	GCC, ERC
W134T	117	Townhead - Coatbridge - Carnbroe	McNairns Coaches	3 September 2018	Route alteration due to the closure of Centenary Avenue to facilitate bridge maintenance works by Network Rail for an estimated 9 week period.	Cost neutral	NLC
LS044S	904	East Kilbride - Edinburgh	Scottish Citylink	30 September 2018	Minor timetable alteration to reduce journey times, following completion of the M8, M73, and M74 Motorway Improvements Project.	Cost neutral	SLC,NLC
6487G	219, 319	Stewarton Local Services	Western	21 October 2018	Minor route alteration due to the closure of David Dale Avenue, Stewarton to facilitate demolition and redevelopment works for an estimated 46 week period.	Cost neutral	EAC
6801K	320	Cumbrae Slip - Millport Pier	Millport Motors	23 October 2018	Withdrawal of contract due to significant changes in the commercial local bus network. Subsequent award of new contract which encompass the new requirements for residents of Millport is noted within a separate paper to this committee.	Pro rata reduction of £480.59 per week	NAC
W030C1	M2	Toryglen - Croftfoot	First Glasgow	5 November 2018	Minor route alteration due to the closure of Prospecthill Circus to facilitate redevelopment works for an estimated 52 week period.	Cost neutral	GCC, SLC
8811E	302	Helensburgh - Lochgoilhead/Carrick Castle	Garelochhead Coaches	18 November 2018	Minor route and timetable alterations, at the request of funding partners Argyll & Bute Council.	Pro rata increase of £4 per week	A&B

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0917D	65	Glasgow - Bridgeton	First Glasgow	26 November 2018	Minor timetable alteration, in-line with revised commercial provision upon service 65 between Bridgeton - Halfway.	Cost neutral	GCC, SLC
SW/18/101A	101/102	Dumfries - Biggar - Edinburgh	Western	7 January 2019	Route and timetable alterations, at the request of funding partners SWestrans. Funded jointly by SPT, SWestrans, Scottish Borders Council and Midlothian Council.	Cost neutral	SLC