Committee report



Requests for subsidised local bus services

Committee: Operations

Date of meeting 10 March 2017 **Date of report** 14 February 2017

Report by Assistant Chief Executive (Operations)

1. Object of report

To recommend the Committee note the requests received for subsidised local bus services and approves the recommended actions.

2. Background

(a) To augment current local service bus provision operating via the Cladach area of Arran **Recommend**: No Action. Current local service bus levels (service 324) meet SPT Guideline Criteria.

Council area: North Ayrshire

(b) To provide a bus service to the Moorfield Housing Estate, Kilmarnock **Recommend:** Investigate opportunities within existing subsidised and commercial public transport network.

Council area: East Ayrshire

- (c) To augment current local service bus provision within the Garnock Valley area, to provide additional links for non-entitled pupils accessing the new Garnock Community Campus **Recommend:** No Action. Home-to-school transport is the responsibility of the local education authority, in accordance with that council's policies and the criteria. SPT works to specifically exclude the provision of any transport which would be for the sole purpose of carrying school pupils who do not qualify for free transport under the relevant local authority's policies. Current local service bus levels within the area meet SPT Guideline Criteria. *Council area: North Ayrshire*
- (d) To provide a direct local bus service between Rosneath Peninsula and the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley. **Recommend:** No Action. Journey can be made via interchange on existing local bus services, which meet SPT Guideline Criteria. *Council area: West Dunbartonshire / Renfrewshire Council*

(e) To fund a direct bus service between Bellshill Town Centre and Maxim Office Park/Eurocentral. **Recommend:** Investigate opportunities within existing subsidised and commercial public transport network, whilst encouraging discussion with Maxim Office Park in relation to any future development proposals.

Council area: North Lanarkshire

3. Committee action

The Committee is asked to agree the recommendations.

4. Consequences

Policy consequences: In line with Regional Transport Strategy.

Legal consequences: None.

Financial consequences: None.

Personnel consequences: None.

Equalities consequences: None.

Risk consequences: None.

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