

## Contracts awarded under delegated powers

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**Date of meeting** 7 November 2025

**Date of report** 28 October 2025

**Report by Head of Bus Strategy & Delivery**

### 1. Object of report

To notify the Committee of subsidised local bus and MyBus service contracts awarded under delegated powers. This paper affects South Ayrshire, North and South Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire council areas.

### 2. Background to report

It has been necessary to permit the award of subsidised local bus and MyBus service contracts as allowed for in the Scheme of Delegations. This has been done to maintain service continuity to the travelling public.

### 3. Outline of proposals

Appendix 1 details the subsidised local bus and MyBus service contracts awarded since the last meeting of 22 August 2025.

### 4. Committee action

The Committee is recommended to note the subsidised local bus and MyBus service contracts awarded under delegated powers, in accordance with established corporate governance, financial regulation and contract standing orders.

### 5. Consequences

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| Policy consequences    | <i>In line with the Regional Transport Strategy and SPT's framework for local bus services.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Legal consequences     | <i>All contracts are awarded subject to SPT's terms and conditions for transport contracts.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Financial consequences | <i>The award of the contracts detailed in this committee paper will result in increased costs of £45,350 to SPT in 2025/2026 when compared to current projections for these contracts. New temporary My Bus contracts in North Lanarkshire will result in additional costs of £78,502 in 2025/2026. These costs will be fully funded by the People and Places Programme.</i> |
| Personnel consequences | <i>None directly.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| Equalities consequences                          | <i>The proposals support continued operation of local bus services or, where service changes have resulted in impacts, mitigate the impact of a reduced commercial local bus services.</i> |
| Risk consequences                                | <i>None directly.</i>                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Climate Change, Adaptation & Carbon consequences | <i>Supported bus services help reduce transport emissions through encouraging modal shift to more sustainable travel.</i>                                                                  |

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## APPENDIX 1

### Contracts awarded under delegated powers

| Contract | Service No        | Description                                                                                                                                                 | Original Operator  | Start / End                   | Remarks                                                                                                                                                                     | Weekly Contract Cost | Total Contract Cost | Awarded to             |
|----------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 6031N    | 359               | Newton Stewart - Girvan - Girvan Academy                                                                                                                    | Stagecoach Western | 8 Aug 2025/<br>7 Aug 2026     | New School/Local contract administered by Swestrans. Funding is apportioned between SPT (17.68%), South Ayrshire Council Education Department (16.32%) and SWestrans (66%). | £730                 | £37,960             | DGC Buses              |
| NLPP3    | M90<br>M98<br>M99 | M90 Cumbernauld Area MyBus<br>M98 Motherwell Area MyBus<br>M99 Coatbridge Area MyBus                                                                        | N/A                | 31 Aug 2025/<br>28 March 2026 | Temporary MyBus contract procured on behalf of North Lanarkshire Council, funded through the People and Place programme.                                                    | £1,852               | £55,568             | ARG Travel             |
| NLPP4    | M90               | Cumbernauld Area MyBus                                                                                                                                      | N/A                | 31 Aug 2025/<br>31 Jan 2026   | Temporary MyBus contract procured on behalf of North Lanarkshire Council, funded through the People and Place programme.                                                    | £1,150               | £25,300             | Canavan Travel         |
| W180     | 307               | Johnstone - Howwood - Lochwinnoch Station                                                                                                                   | McGills Buses      | 11 Jan 2026/<br>15 July 2028  | Substantive contract following the cessation of commercial service 4 by Shuttle Buses.                                                                                      | £1,148               | £150,503            | McGills Buses (Option) |
| W183     | 9                 | Quarriers Village - Bridge of Weir - Johnstone Station                                                                                                      | McGills Buses      | 11 Jan 2026/<br>11 July 2026. | Further temporary contract due to the cessation of commercial service 9 by Johnstone Area Community Transport.                                                              | £2,504               | £65,104             | Shuttle Buses          |
| W074F    | 317               | Hamilton - Larkhall - Lanark                                                                                                                                | Stuarts Coaches    | 11 Jan 2026/<br>15 July 2028  | Substantive contract due to changes in the commercial network by Stuarts Coaches. Replaces the essential elements of service 317, from expired contract W074C.              | £1,350               | £176,850            | Stuarts Coaches        |
| W008F    | 93<br>193<br>210  | Coltness - Wishaw - Netherton (service 93)<br>Parkside - Wishaw - Pather - Lawhill (service 193)<br>Carluke/Lawhill - Wishaw General Hospital (service 210) | JMB Travel         | 11 Jan 2026/<br>15 July 2028  | Substantive contract renewal. Minor Journey reductions due to low demand. Service 210 journeys to be operated within JMB Travel commercial service 41.                      | £2,598               | £340,419            | JMB Travel (Option)    |