



### Amendments to subsidised local bus service contracts

**Committee** Operations

**Date of meeting** 13 May 2016

**Date of report** 3 May 2016

#### Report by Assistant Chief Executive (Operations)

##### 1. Object of report

To advise the Committee of amendments to the following local bus service contracts:

Kilmarnock - Southcraigs - Galston (service 332)  
Kilmarnock - Moorfield Industrial Park (service 333)  
Kilmarnock - Grange Estate/Southcraigs (service 334)

Kilmarnock - Dundonald - Muirhead - Troon (service 110)

East Kilbride Local (service M1)  
Silvertonhill - Coatshill (service 230)  
Bellshill - Strathclyde Business Park (service 299) SPT vehicles

East Kilbride - Hamilton - Motherwell - Harthill - Edinburgh (service 904)

Coatbridge - Muirhead - Moodiesburn (service 132)  
Salsburgh - Chapelhall - Monklands Hospital (service 200)  
Wishaw - Cleland - Holytown (service 248) SPT vehicles

*This report affects the East Ayrshire, North Lanarkshire, South Ayrshire, and South Lanarkshire council areas.*

##### 2. Background

- (a) Kilmarnock - Southcraigs - Galston (service 332)**  
**Kilmarnock - Moorfield Industrial Park (service 333)**  
**Kilmarnock - Grange Estate/Southcraigs (service 334)**

Services 332, 333 and 334 are operated on behalf of SPT by Shuttle Buses, providing a Monday to Saturday daytime service between Galston and Kilmarnock via Southcraigs as service 332, Monday to Friday peak time journeys between Kilmarnock and Moorfield Industrial Park as service 333, and a Monday to Friday daytime service between Kilmarnock and the Grange Estate, with an evening peak hour extension to Southcraigs as service 334, within contract W040A1.

As reported to a previous meeting of this Committee, the planned closure of the westbound carriageway of Bridge Street, Galston for property repair works, required that the route of service 332 was altered to operate via Wallace Street, Barr Street, Glebe Road, Brewland Street and Cross Street from 25 January 2016, for an estimated period of around 3 months.

Ayrshire Roads Alliance subsequently informed SPT that the closure of the westbound carriageway of Bridge Street had been postponed, and did not commence until 18 April 2016. Accordingly, SPT revised the contract variation dates.

**Action**

SPT altered the route of service 332 within contract W040A1, with effect from 18 April 2016. No additional costs apply.

**(b) Kilmarnock - Dundonald - Muirhead - Troon (service 110)**

Service 110 is operated on behalf of SPT by Western Buses, providing a 90 minute, Monday to Saturday evening, and all day Sunday service between Kilmarnock and Troon, via Dundonald and Muirhead, within contract 6917F.

As reported to a previous meeting of this Committee, the partial closure of St Meddans Street, Troon to facilitate railway bridge repair works required that the route of service 110 was slightly altered to operate via Dundonald Road on its southbound route, from 5 January 2016 for an estimated period of 10 weeks.

Ayrshire Roads Alliance subsequently informed SPT that the works period had been extended a further 6 weeks until 30 April 2016; therefore the contract variation remained in place until completion of the works.

**Action**

The alteration to the route of service 110 within contract 6917F, with effect from 5 January 2016, was extended until 30 April 2016. No additional costs apply.

**(c) East Kilbride Local (service M1)**

**Silvertonhill - Coatshill (service 230)**

**Bellshill - Strathclyde Business Park (service 299) SPT vehicles**

Services M1, 230 and 299 are operated on behalf of SPT by First Glasgow, providing an hourly, Monday to Saturday daytime service between Elphinstone Crescent and Hairmyres Hospital via East Kilbride Bus Station and Mossneuk, as service M1, and an hourly, Monday to Saturday inter-peak service between Silvertonhill and Coatshill via Hamilton and Blantyre as service 230, in addition to Monday to Friday peak time journeys between Bellshill and Strathclyde Business Park as service 299, within contract W023A.

SPT was made aware of indiscriminate parking issues at the junction of Morven Avenue and Millands Avenue, Coatshill which were obstructing the route of service 230. Given the safety implications involved, the route of service 230 was altered to omit this section of the route. All existing bus stops continue to be served.

**Action**

SPT altered the route of service 230, within contract W023A, with effect from 8 May 2016. No additional costs apply.

**(d) East Kilbride - Hamilton - Motherwell - Harthill - Edinburgh (service 904)**

Service 904 is operated on behalf of SPT by Scottish Citylink, providing a Monday to Friday, peak time return journey between East Kilbride and Edinburgh, via Hamilton, Motherwell, Chapelhall and Harthill, within contract LS044P.

The operator advised SPT that the morning journey regularly operates late and therefore requires additional running time.

Following investigation, SPT agreed to amend the timetable of service 904 to address running time issues between Harthill and Edinburgh with effect from 22 May 2016. The amendment will also be incorporated within contract LS044S, which commences from 17 July 2016.

**Action**

SPT will alter the timetable of service 904 within contract LS044P, with effect from 22 May 2016, and also contract LS044S, with effect from 17 July 2016. No additional costs apply.

**(e) Coatbridge - Muirhead - Moodiesburn (service 132)  
Salsburgh - Chapelhall - Monklands Hospital (service 200)  
Wishaw - Cleland - Holytown (service 248) SPT vehicles**

Service 132, 200 and 248 are operated on behalf of SPT by McGill's Buses, providing an hourly, evening and Sunday service between Coatbridge and Moodiesburn via Muirhead, as service 132, a Monday to Friday early morning journey and an hourly, evening and Sunday service between Salsburgh and Monklands Hospital, via Holytown and Chapelhall, as service 200, and an hourly, Monday to Saturday evening service between Wishaw General Hospital and Holytown, via Cleland, as service 248, within Central Lanarkshire DRT contract 9561F.

McGill's Buses made a request to SPT to renumber service 200 (Salsburgh - Monklands Hospital) to service 202 due to route similarities with their Monday to Friday commercial service 202 (Salsburgh - Airdrie). SPT deemed this request to be of benefit to the travelling public, and therefore agreed the change.

**Action**

Service 200 will be renumbered service 202 within contract 9561F, with effect from 15 May 2016. No additional costs apply.

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**3. Committee action**

The Committee is recommended to agree the following:

- (a) alteration to the route of service 332, within contract W040A1, with effect from 18 April 2016, no additional costs apply;
- (b) the alteration to the route of service 110, within contract 6917F, effective from 5 January 2016 was extended until 30 April 2016, no additional costs apply;
- (c) alteration to the route of service 230, within contract W023A, with effect from 8 May 2016, no additional costs apply;
- (d) alteration to the timetable of service 904, within contract LS044P with effect from 22 May 2016, and also contract LS044S, with effect from 17 July 2016, no additional costs apply;

and

- (e) re-numbering of service 200 to 202, within contract 9561F, with effect from 15 May 2016, no additional costs apply.

#### **4. Consequences**

Policy consequences: *In line with Regional Transport Strategy.*

Legal consequences: *All amendments permitted in terms of the conditions of contract.*

Financial consequences: *None.*

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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