FINANCE AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE PLANNING AND TRANSPORT POLICY COMMITTEE -

PUBLIC TRANSPORT WEB SITE

JOINT REPORT BY THE DIRECTORS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

ABSTRACT

This report recommends the development of two webs sites to enhance the current council web site content by including Public Transport Information.

1. RECOMMENDATION

The committee is recommended to approve the development of two new web sites containing Public Transport Information at a cost of £23,650.

2. BACKGROUND

In pursuit of the Modernising Government Agenda, the council is continually seeking to enhance the information content available via the council's web site.

Angus Council's Transport Team holds information on public transport services throughout Angus and currently makes this available to the general public through printed timetables, roadside information displays, maps and various other publications.

Investigations have taken place to determine the most appropriate method by which this information can be added to the current content of the council's web site.

3. PROPOSED ACTION

It is proposed that the two companies currently responsible for managing the publication of the current operational requirements be asked to develop web site content that will facilitate the requirements defined above.

FWT Ltd will develop and host a new web site with content relating specifically to Transport Information such as timetables and maps. This web site will, where appropriate, have links to and from the current angus.gov.uk web site.

Anite Public Sector Ltd will develop and host a web site to facilitate a Travel Enquiry Service to enable trip planners to be generated using various parameters, again this information will be directly accessible via the Council's own web site (www.angus.gov.uk).

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The initial cost for the FWT developments will be
Annual charges will also arise as follows:
Web site hosting
Maintenance of data

£395
£300

The initial cost for the Anite development will be
£20,850

Annual charges will also arise at a cost of £2,800

The total cost of both developments, £23,650, can be contained within the current balances of the IT Repairs and Renewals Fund.

The Director of Planning & Transport has confirmed that the recurring revenue costs (£3,495) in subsequent years can be contained within current revenue estimates.

5. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct human rights implications arising from this report.

6. CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive and Directors of Law and Administration and Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

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NOTE: No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.