

ANGUS COUNCIL

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE - 3 MARCH 2009

SUBJECT: AWARD OF LOCAL BUS SERVICE CONTRACTS

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Abstract: A large number of tendered local bus services across Angus will terminate with effect from 29 May 2009. This report seeks approval for the award of replacement contracts from that date.

1 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee –

1. agree to the award of local bus service contracts as detailed in this report.

2 AWARD OF LOCAL BUS SERVICE CONTRACTS

- 2.1 At the last meeting of this Committee, Members were advised of the outcome of the recent local bus service tendering exercise to seek replacement services for contracts due to expire on 31 March 2009 (Report 65/09 refers). As the Departmental budget for 2009/10 had still to be set it was agreed at that meeting that the award of contracts be considered as part of the budget process, and that in the interim the existing contracts would be extended for a further two months until 29 May 2009.
- 2.2 At the Special Service Committee Meetings on 19 February 2009, financial provision was made in the provisional volume report for the award of contracts to maintain the current levels of service provision (Report 119/09 refers).
- 2.3 Additional funding has been made available within the Planning and Transport 2009/10 Revenue Budget for one year only during which time a review of bus service provision in Angus will be taken forward so that service provision can be set at a level which is affordable and sustainable into the future.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The contract awards are detailed in [Appendices 1](#) and [1a](#) to this report. The award of these contracts will result in tendered local bus service expenditure of £1,402,513 in a full financial year. This expenditure will be contained within the 2009/10 Planning and Transport Revenue Budget.

4 CONSULTATION

- 4.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Head of Finance and Head of Law & Administration have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

5 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

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

6 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The issues dealt with in this report have been the subject of consideration from an equalities perspective (as required by legislation). An equalities impact assessment is not required.

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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.

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