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## SOUTH WEST OF SCOTLAND TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP

Meeting of Friday 8 March 2019  
at 10.30am, Cargen Tower, Garroch Business Park, Dumfries, DG2 8PN

### Present

### Members

<b>Andrew Wood</b> (Chairman)	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
<b>David Bryson</b> (Vice-Chairman)	-	NHS Dumfries and Galloway
<b>Richard Brodie</b>	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
<b>John Campbell</b>	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
<b>Alistair McKinnon</b>	-	Scottish Enterprise
<b>Davie Stitt</b>	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council

### Officials and Advisers

<b>Douglas Kirkpatrick</b>	-	Lead Officer
<b>Claire Rogerson</b>	-	Secretary to the Board
<b>Josef Coombey</b>	-	Policy and Projects Officer
<b>Janet Sutton</b>	-	Finance Officer

### Apologies

<b>Adam Wilson</b>	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
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### Observers

<b>David Anderson</b>		
<b>Hugh McCreadie</b>	-	Lochside and Woodlands Community Council

### In Attendance

<b>Martin Brown</b>	-	Beattock Station Action Group
<b>John Holroyd</b>	-	A76 Action Group
<b>Kenny Laidlaw</b>	-	Stagecoach Scotland

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**1. SEDERUNT AND APOLOGIES**

6 Board Members present and 1 apology.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**NONE** declared.

**3. MINUTE OF MEETING OF 18 JANUARY 2019****Decision**

**APPROVED.**

**4. DRAFT REVENUE EXPENDITURE BUDGET 2019/2020****Decision**

The Board **AGREED** the draft revenue budget for 2019/20 as set out in Table 1 of the report.

**5. CAPITAL EXPEDITURE PROGRAMME 2019/20 – 2021/22****Decision**

The Board **AGREED** the Capital Programme for 2019/20 to 2021/22 as outlined in the Appendix of the report

**6. EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2018/19****Decision**

The Board **NOTED** the external audit plan for 2018/19 as outlined in the Appendix of the report.

**7. LOCAL BUS SERVICE – NITH VALLEY LATE EVENING JOURNEY****Decision**

The Board:

7.1 **NOTED** the response from Dumfries and Galloway Council on the request for additional funding to provide a late Saturday evening journey; and

7.2 **AGREED** to include the provision of a late Saturday journey on the service 246 Dumfries to Kirkconnel in the procurement of the 2020 local bus network.

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## 8. SWESTRANS ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18

### Decision

The Board **AGREED** the SWestrans Annual Report for 2017/18 as attached at the Appendix of the report subject to an amendment being made on the active travel work section following feedback received from the network strategy team at the Council.

## 9. STAG APPRAISALS UPDATE

### Decision

The Board **NOTED** the update on the work towards developing potential rail station re-opening bids.

## 10. PUBLIC SOCIAL PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

### Decision

The Board **NOTED**:

10.1 the progress on the pilot projects within the three Public Social Partnership work streams as highlighted in section 3 of the report; and

10.2 that a further update on the Public Social Partnership would be brought to the Board in June 2019.

## 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN MAY DECIDE IS URGENT DUE TO THE NEED FOR A DECISION

### Decision

The Board **NOTED** that there was no item of business deemed urgent by the Chairman due to the need for a decision.

**PROCEDURE** – The Board agreed to consider the following item of business in private and exclude the Press, members of the public and Observers from the meeting given the report contains confidential or exempt information in respect of paragraphs 6, 8, 9 and 10 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

## 12. LOCAL BUS CONSIDERATIONS

**Report Summary** – The report sought agreement to a course of action for officers to follow in preparation for the local bus contracts due to expire in 2020.

### Decision

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The Board:-

12.1 **NOTED** the response from Dumfries and Galloway Council on future revenue funding following the conclusion of its budget setting for 2019/20;

12.2 having considered the options for discussion presented in the report, **AGREED** not to rule any option out at this stage;

12.3 **FURTHER AGREED** that officers in preparation for the local bus contracts due to expire in 2020 approach the South of Scotland Enterprise Partnership for assistance in undertaking work in support of this; and

12.4 **NOTED** that officers would continue to review the network and that the Board would be kept updated by briefings and by additional Board meetings if required.