
SOUTH WEST OF SCOTLAND TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP

Meeting of Friday 27 January 2023
at 10.30am at Dumfries and Galloway Council Headquarters, English Street,
Dumfries and via Microsoft Teams

Present

Members

John Campbell (Chair)	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
Karen Jackson (Vice-Chair)	-	South of Scotland Enterprise
Jim Dempster	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
Maureen Johnstone	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council
Keith Walters	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council

Officials

Douglas Kirkpatrick	-	Lead Officer
Claire Rogerson	-	Secretary to the Board
Kirsty Dunsmore	-	Policy and Projects Officer
Janet Sutton	-	Finance Officer
Grant Coltart		SWeststrans
Linda Richardson		SWeststrans
Jason Bentley		SWeststrans

Apologies

David Bryson	-	NHS Dumfries and Galloway
Andrew Wood	-	Dumfries and Galloway Council

Observers

June Hay	-	Outdoor Access Forum
High McCreadie	-	Lochside and Woodlands Community Council
Frazer Smith	-	Stagecoach Scotland
Graham Whiteley		

In Attendance

Danny Alderslowe	-	Haud the Bus
Graham Dunn	-	Project Manager Community Transport PSP
Kareen Gillespie	-	
Ron McLean		Beattock Station Action Group
Graham Meiklejohn		Transpennine Express
Ian Reid		Stand Up for our Buses

1. SEDERUNT AND APOLOGIES

4 Board Members present, 1 not present at the start and 2 apologies.

John Campbell and Maureen Johnstone attended at Dumfries and Galloway Council Headquarters,

Karen Jackson, and Keith Walters attended via MS Teams.

PROCEDURE - The Chair intimated that he had agreed to take one item of urgent business – Local Bus Services – 101/102 Dumfries to Edinburgh – which would be taken at item 10.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NONE declared.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING ON 25 NOVEMBER 2022

Decision

APPROVED.

4. TRANSPENNINE EXPRESS PRESENTATION.

BOARD MEMBER – Jim Dempster joined the meeting via MS Teams during this item.

Decision

The Board

4.1 **AGREED** to receive the presentation from TransPennine Express; and

4.2 **THANKED** them for the presentation.

5. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2022/23 FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2022

Decision

The Board **NOTED** the forecast outturn for the revenue budget as at 31 December 2022.

6. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAMME 2022/23 – 2024/25 UPDATE

Decision

The Board:-

6.1 **NOTED** the update on the Capital Programme for 2022/23;

AGREED

6.2 the acceleration of spend for the purchase of low-floor buses as indicated in paragraph 3.3 of the report;

6.3 the slippage of the construction costs for Lockerbie Station parking Phase 3 as indicated in paragraph 3.5 of the report; and

6.4 not to draw down any funding from the Scottish Government's Regional Active Travel Fund for 2022/23 and that this be intimated to Transport Scotland.

7. LOCAL BUS UPDATE

Decision

The Board:-

7.1 **NOTED** the update on the review of all current supported local bus services to meet the delivery challenges previously identified for 2023/24; and

AGREED

7.2 that that all local bus contracts with an end date of 6 August 2023 terminate on that date; and

7.3 the proposed tender timeline for replacing local bus contracts as presented in Table 1 of the report.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

Decision

The Board: **CONSIDERED** and **AGREED** the Risk Register for 2023/24 included as the Appendix of the report –

9. STRATEGIC TRANSPORT PROJECTS REVIEW UPDATE

Decision

The Board **NOTED** the publication of the second Strategic Transport Projects Review (STPR2) final report.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR MAY DECIDE IS URGENT DUE TO THE NEED FOR A DECISION

Decision

The Board **NOTED** that there was one item of urgent business deemed urgent by the Chair due to the need for a decision.

10A. LOCAL BUS SERVICES – 101/102 DUMFRIES TO EDINBURGH

This item was presented as an urgent item of business due to the need for a decision due to the fact that this information was not available when the papers for the meeting were published, and a timeous decision being required.

Decision

The Board **AGREED** the contribution of £128,333 per year to SPT for local bus service 101/102 Dumfries to Edinburgh.