

<b>CABINET</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM No. 3</b>
<b>23 JULY 2013</b>	<b>PUBLIC REPORT</b>

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**PASSENGER TRANSPORT - SUBSIDISED SERVICE PROVISION – CALL-IN**

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
<b>FROM</b> : Scrutiny Committee for Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital	<b>Deadline date</b> : 25 March 2013
<p>Cabinet is requested to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consider the recommendations from the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee contained in the report; and</li> <li>2. Determine whether to amend or not the decision taken on 1 July before adopting a final decision.</li> </ol>	

**1. ORIGIN OF REPORT**

- 1.1 This report is submitted to Cabinet following a referral from the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee on 11 July 2013.
- 1.2 In relation to the decision, Passenger Transport - Subsidised Service Provision, the Scrutiny Committee requests that Cabinet:
  1. Reconsiders the results of the consultation undertaken with regard to the decision to discontinue Passenger Transport Subsidised Services;

And in doing this:
  2. Undertakes further consultation to fully assess and understand the impact of discontinuing these services on vulnerable members of the public in particular with relation to the Local Link Service before making the decision.

**2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT**

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is for Cabinet to consider the referral from the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee relating to the Cabinet Decision taken on 1 July 2013, Passenger Transport - Subsidised Service Provision.
- 2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.7, to be responsible for the Council's overall budget and determine action required to ensure that the overall budget remains within the total cash limit, and in accordance with the Part 4 Section 7 – Executive Rules of Procedure paragraph 2.2(c).

**3. TIMESCALE**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	<b>NO</b>
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#### **4. PASSENGER TRANSPORT - SUBSIDISED SERVICE PROVISION – CALL-IN**

4.1 On 1 July 2013 Cabinet agreed the recommendations set out in the report titled Passenger Transport - Subsidised Service Provision as detailed below:

1. Continue to fund the existing Demand Responsive Transport services at current levels of subsidy of £180,000 and to increase the investment in Demand Responsive Transport Services;
2. Invest £220,000 in expanding the Demand Responsive Transport service available to residents in Peterborough;
3. Reduce the Voluntary Partnership Agreement funding with Stagecoach to £200,000;
4. Invest any savings below the £220,000 budgeted for the expanded Demand Responsive Transport service into additional evening services provided within the Voluntary Partnership Agreement;
5. Discontinue all the funding for Local Link services;
6. Discontinue all the funding to some daytime services on the Kimes 9 service;
7. Discontinue all funding to some daytime services on Stagecoach route 24;
8. Discontinue all funding to Sunday services on Stagecoach route 37; and
9. Discontinue all funding for the Luxecabs service.

4.2 The decision was published for three clear working days in which time a call-in request was submitted by two members of the council's scrutiny committees (see Appendix A). The call-in request was considered at a meeting of the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee on Thursday 11 July 2013 to determine whether to take any action on it or not (see Appendix B).

4.3 Having considered the request for call-in, the Scrutiny Committee agreed to refer the decision back to Cabinet with the recommendations in paragraph 1.2.

#### **5. CONSULTATION**

5.1 No additional consultation has currently been conducted.

#### **6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES**

6.1 It is anticipated that Cabinet, as the original decision taker, will consider the recommendation from the Scrutiny Committee and either amend the decision or not before agreeing to adopt a final decision.

6.2 In accordance with the constitution, once a decision has been reconsidered by the decision taker it may not be the subject of a further call-in.

#### **7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

7.1 In accordance with the procedure rules in Part 4 Section 8 of the Council's constitution Cabinet, as the decision taker, must reconsider the decision within 10 working days, amending the decision or not, before adopting a final decision.

**8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Any other option would require an amendment to the Council's constitution.

**9. IMPLICATIONS**

There are no further implications to the original report should Cabinet make no amendments.

Should Cabinet amend the decision, there may be an additional financial cost should more time to accommodate the change be required and the implementation of the recommendations agreed on 1 July be delayed.

**10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

Cabinet Report, 1 July 2013,

<http://democracy.peterborough.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=116&MId=3122&Ver=4>.

Cabinet Decision notice from 1 July 2013,

<http://democracy.peterborough.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=821>.

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