

REPORT TO: Executive Board

DATE: 24th May 2012

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director Policy & Resources

PORTFOLIO: Transportation

SUBJECT: Passenger Transport Tenders

WARDS: Borough-Wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To notify the Executive Board that transport tenders are to be published via The Chest in compliance with EU Public Procurement Regulations 2006 in line with Standing Orders part 6.0 and 6.7 – The Restricted Tender Procedure. This is a report for information purposes, to also comply with Procurement Standing Order Part 2.1 due to the accumulative value of the contracts projected to be in excess of £1 million. The award criteria for this contract will be based on Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) principles.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That Executive Board are aware of transport tenders being advertised for services on behalf of Children & Enterprise and Communities Directorates, required from September 2012, and that they support the process.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 The Transport Co-ordination Section are responsible for a complex range of passenger transport contracts and arrangements for vulnerable children and adults on behalf of both the Children & Enterprise and Communities Directorates with the full support from the Procurement Division. These arrangements which, if not provided by the Council's in-house fleet of passenger transport vehicles or by volunteer drivers, are required to be contracted out for a period of up to four years to external transport providers. Such providers typically include licensed taxi operators and drivers and minibus/coach companies. Where possible, however, priority is given to arranging transport for passengers on the Council's in-house fleet provision.

3.2 The Children & Enterprise and Communities Directorates are responsible for providing the transport requirements for any vulnerable passenger that needs and is entitled to assisted transport to educational establishments and adult day care facilities and community venues respectively. Transport Co-ordination are then responsible for procuring

the most cost effective and practical means of transport, depending on the mobility and additional needs of each passenger.

- 3.3 Please see Appendix One for details of the contracts to be tendered, and all the contracts contained will be tendered in a framework consisting of lots as detailed below.

Contracted Passenger Transport Services lots
Lot 1 up to 5 seats
Lot 2 up to 8 seats
Lot 3 up to 16 seats
Lot 4 17+ seats
Lot 5 Complex Needs
Lot 6 Long Distance
Unknown routes (for future contracts)

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None

5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

- 6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

All of the passenger transport contracts are constantly monitored to ensure that the required level and quality of service is offered to passengers on behalf of the Children & Enterprise Directorate.

- 6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

Some of the passenger transport contracts to be tendered are to provide accessible transport services for vulnerable young people and adults to facilities providing lifelong learning and skills.

- 6.3 A Healthy Halton

Many of the passenger transport contracts to be tendered provide essential access to a wide range of activities, to key facilities across the Borough and to out of borough establishments as required. Therefore, passenger transport indirectly helps to ensure vulnerable adults and children live a healthy and active lifestyle.

6.4 A Safer Halton

Where passengers are not aware and/or confident enough to travel by public transport, the transport service enables all passengers to access facilities in a safe way, ensuring that they are socially included. Travel Training is provided, where appropriate, to individuals to provide them with the skills, confidence and independence to travel by public transport.

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

There are no direct implications arising from this report.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 Funding reductions may pose a risk to the services we are required to provide. Children & Enterprise and Communities Directorates may exert more stringent controls and criteria within their transport/travel policies and practice in order to manage reduced budgetary constraints.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 Passenger transport service contracts are constantly monitored to ensure the operation of these services embrace equality and diversity issues in line with the Equality Act.

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

9.1 None for the purposes of the Act.

APPENDIX ONE – PASSENGER TRANSPORT CONTRACTS

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE

FOR LOT NO.	CONTRACT NUMBER	ROUTE DESCRIPTION	ANNUAL ESTIMATED COST	MAXIMUM CONTRACT VALUE FOR 4 YEARS	
1	2144B	Mon & Fri Price	£2400	£9600	
		Widnes to Various Day Centres	Tue - Thur Price	£3600	£14400
3	2174D	Monday Price	£3400	£13600	
		Runcorn to The Coach House	Tuesday Price	£4000	£16000
		Thursday Price	£3800	£15200	
1	2303B	Widnes to All Saints Upton Primary School	£2850	£11400	
1	2305A	Runcorn to The Grange Comprehensive School	£12000	£48000	
1	2313A	Widnes to Weston Point College	£3800	£15200	
1	2314A	Widnes to Weston Point College	£8400	£33600	
2	2320	Runcorn to Brookfields School	£19000	£76000	
2	2326C	Runcorn / Widnes to Wade Deacon High School / St Peter & Paul High School	£9500	£38000	

2	2337B	Hale Village / Runcorn to St Chads High School	£12350	£49400
1	2402B	Widnes / Runcorn to The Bridge School	£3800	£15200
2	2404C	Runcorn to Cavendish School	£8200	£32800
1	2443D	Runcorn to Weston Point College	£8400	£33600
1	2450A	Widnes to Brookfields School	£9200	£36800
1	2459D	Runcorn to Halton House School	£7600	£30400
1	2460C	Widnes / Runcorn to Weston Point Primary School	£12200	£48800
1	2464A	Widnes to Cavendish School	£10500	£42000
1	2471A	Runcorn to The Grange Infant School	£8600	£34400
1	2472B	Runcorn to Ormiston Bolingbroke Academy	£6500	£26000
1	2474B	Widnes to St Peter & Paul High School	£4250	£17000
1	2476A	Runcorn to Halton Lodge Primary School	£3000	£12000
1	2479B	Widnes to Ditton Primary School	£3250	£13000
1	2482B	Runcorn to Murdishaw Primary School	£8700	£34800
1	2483B	Widnes to Cavendish School	£6080	£24320
1	2484B	Runcorn / Widnes to Simms Cross Primary School	£8900	£35600

1	2486B	Runcorn to Weston Point College	£6800	£27200
1	2487B	Widnes to Brookfields School	£7600	£30400
2	2489B	Runcorn to Palacefields Primary School	£6850	£27400
2	2492A	Runcorn to Ashley School	£18000	£72000
1	2493A	Runcorn to Riverside College	£5700	£22800
2	2601A	Widnes to Dee Banks School	£16350	£65400
1	2603C	Nr Warrington to Foxwood School	£9900	£39600
1	2612B	Runcorn to Bridgewater High School	£5900	£23600
1	2658C	Widnes to Grappenhall Hall School	£9750	£39000
1	2659A	Widnes / Runcorn to Chaigeley School	£12700	£50800
1	2660A	Runcorn to Chaigeley School	£8750	£35000
1	2700D	Runcorn to Peterhouse School	£22200	£88800
1	2703C	Runcorn / Widnes to St Vincents School for the Blind	£12495	£49980
1	2704E	Runcorn/ Widnes to Wargrave House School	£15350	£61400

1	2705B	Runcorn to Royal School for the Blind Mon AM / Fri PM (**TRIP PRICE**)	£6250	£25000
		All Other Trips (**TRIP PRICE**)	£9150	£36600
1	2718B	Runcorn to Yew Tree School	£9700	£38800
1	2719A	Runcorn to Broadgreen Comprehensive School	£9000	£36000
1	2721A	Widnes to David Lewis Centre	£15000	£60000
1	2723A	Runcorn to St Helens College	£4000	£16000
1	2730D	Runcorn to Lakeside School	£9500	£38000
1	2805A	Widnes to Castle View Primary School	£3600	£14400
4	21001	Runcorn to Sir Thomas Boteler C of E High School	£30200	£120800
4	21009	Runcorn to Bishops C of E High School	£34200	£136800
4	21020	Runcorn to Bridgewater High School Price for 20 Seater	£19000	£76000
		Price for 30 Seater	£25650	£102600
		Totals:	£527,875	£2,111,500