



RHONDDA CYNON TAF

RECORD OF DELEGATED OFFICER DECISION

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY CARE AND LIBRARY TRANSPORT

**TITLE OF REPORT: COMMUNITY CARE & EDUCATION AND LIFELONG
LEARNING TRANSPORT TENDERS**

PURPOSE OF ATTACHED REPORT:ADD

To consider the outcome of the re-tendering of the Council's Community Care and Education and Lifelong Learning Transport contracts. In accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation, this report has been prepared to accompany the intended Officer decision of the Group Director Environmental Services, Group Director Community and Children's Services and Director of Education and Lifelong Learning.

DELEGATED DECISION (Date):

(a)The outcome of the re-tendering of the Council's Community Care and Education and Lifelong Learning Transport contracts is noted.

(b)The Council awards new Community Care Education Transport contracts, on the basis of the information set out in the table in Appendix A of this report and the principles contained at 4.3. These contracts and agreements will be effective from 6th July 2012 and run for 60 months, with an option to extend for a further 24 months.

(c)The Council awards new Education and Lifelong Learning Transport contracts, on the basis of the information set out in the table in Appendix B of this report and the principles contained at 4.3. These contracts and agreements will be effective from 6th July 2012 and run for 60 months, with an option to extend for a further 24 months.

Chief Officer Signature	Print Name	Date
	S. MEDDLTTS	21/2/12
	D.S. JONES.	2/7/12
	C. BRADSHAW	2/7/2012

The decision is taken in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government Act, 2000 (Executive Functions) and in the terms set out in Section 5 of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution

A. Morgan

2/7/2012

CONSULTEE CABINET MEMBER SIGNATURE

DATE

Lynda Coombs

2/07/12

OFFICER CONSULTEE SIGNATURE

DATE

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RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2012-13

**REPORT TO ACCOMPANY A DECISION OF THE
GROUP DIRECTOR – ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
GROUP DIRECTOR – COMMUNITY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND
DIRECTOR – EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

Part 1 (Non-Confidential)	Item No.
COMMUNITY CARE & EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING TRANSPORT TENDERS	

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 This report considers the outcome of the re-tendering of the Council's Community Care and Education and Lifelong Learning Transport contracts.
- 1.2 In accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation, this report has been prepared to accompany the intended Officer decision of the Group Director Environmental Services, Group Director Community and Children's Services and Director of Education and Lifelong Learning as described below.

2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 The outcome of the re-tendering of the Council's Community Care and Education and Lifelong Learning Transport contracts is noted.
- 2.2 The Council awards new Community Care Transport contracts, on the basis of the information set out in the table in Appendix A of this report and the principles contained at 4.3. These contracts and agreements will be effective from 6th July 2012 and run for 60 months, with an option to extend for a further 24 months.
- 2.3 The Council awards new Education and Lifelong Learning Transport contracts, on the basis of the information set out in the table in Appendix B of this report and the principles contained at 4.3. These contracts and agreements will be effective from 6th July 2012 and run for 60 months, with an option to extend for a further 24 months

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council manage their transport arrangements for Community Care and Education and Lifelong Learning contracts through the Integrated Transport Unit (ITU). The current tender package includes a total of 21 Community Care and 5 Library contracts. These contracts expire on 5th July 2012, having been previously extended for logistical and operational reasons. This report considers the award of new contracts, following the conclusion of this exercise.

4. OUTCOME OF TENDERING EXERCISE AND SUGGESTED COURSE OF ACTION

- 4.1 Completed tender bids were submitted by a total of 6 operators and a detailed evaluation was undertaken on the basis of price (60%) and quality (40%), with an operator's available fleet resources, commitment to vehicle renewal, the management of breakdowns, maintenance, staff absenteeism, staff training, and environmental management being taken into account.
- 4.2 Of the 21 Community Care contracts tendered, Pentre House is no longer required due to service changes that eradicate the need for contracted transport. These changes are due to be implemented but the existing transport contract will need to be extended for 1 month to accommodate these changes.
- 4.3 The award process is complicated as most operators tendered for more work than they have the capacity to operate and then some are disappointed with the contracts which the Council chooses to award to them. All tenderers will be notified by letter, whether they have been successful or not and the statutory 10-day "cooling off" period, during which unsuccessful businesses can appeal will need to be completed. Should the winning tenderer decide not to accept a contract then the subsequent winning tenderer will be offered the contract in writing and the 10-day "cooling off" period will be repeated until all contracts are offered and accepted.
- 4.4 The outcome of the tendering exercise is summarised in Appendix A, which lists the successful tenderers for each new contract.
- 4.5 The total value of the new Community Care contracts over the full financial year and subject to the "cooling off period" is estimated to be £198,280.87 but £30,414.00 will be taken from the existing Dial a Ride grant to cover the transfer to contracted transport. Thus the new estimated cost will be £167,866.87. This is an increase of £12,785.07 per annum, based on a period of 52 weeks to enable a like for like comparison.
- 4.6 The total cost of awarding the new library contracts is estimated to be £5,975.71 subject to the "cooling off period". This is an increase of £246.94 per annum. These figures are estimates as the nature of the service means that users may not take up the service for the full year.
- 4.7 The balance of the Dial a Ride grant, £83,522.00, will be transferred to the Integrated Transport Unit to fund the extension of community orientated demand responsive services in an attempt to stimulate greater user demand and provide best value.

5. CONCLUSION

- 5.1 The course of action outlined above will enable the Council to maintain existing service levels whilst, at the same time, raise the quality of provision.

APPENDIX A

Community Care Contracts:

Contract Number	Successful Contractor	Day Centre	Days	Total tendered rate cost per day	Number of days 251 April 12-Mar 13	Estimated Annual Cost	Current Contract	Current Price	Number of days 251 April 11-Mar 12	Estimated Annual Cost	Dial A Ride Money to be made available
001 CEC	Travol	Beddau Community Centre / Garth Olwg Learning Centre	1 (Fri)	£50.00	30	£1,500.00	01 CEC	£25.00	30	£750.00	
001 ED	Travol	Abercynon Day Centre	5	£89.00	151	£13,439.00	Dial A Ride*	£0.00	251	£0.00	£22,339.00
002 ED	Travol	Bronllwyn Day Centre	3 (Mon, Wed & Fri)	£58.50	151	£8,833.50	001 ED	£58.27	151	£8,798.77	
003 ED	Travol	Riverside Day Centre	5	£70.38	251	£17,665.38	005 ED	£70.38	251	£17,665.38	
004 ED	Keepings Coaches	Trecynon Day Centre / St Mairs	5	£80.00	251	£20,080.00	002 ED	£95.36	251	£23,935.36	
005 ED	Laser Minicoach & Bus Hire	Tonyrefail Day Centre	1 (Fri)	£70.00	50	£3,500.00	004 ED	£84.76	50	£4,238.00	
006 ED	Laser Minicoach & Bus Hire	Tonyrefail Day Centre	1 (Fri)	£30.00	50	£1,500.00	NEW	£0.00	50	£0.00	
001 EMI	Laser Minicoach & Bus Hire	Ferndale House	5	£95.00	251	£23,845.00	004 EMI, 005 EMI & Dial A Ride*	56.86 32.82	52	£4,663.36	£14,345.00

002 EMI	Travol	Cwmni Dda	7	£112.00	363	£40,656.00	001 EMI	£74.17	363	£26,923.71	
003 EMI	Laser Minicoach & Bus Hire	Tonteg Day Unit	4 (No Wed)	£115.00	199	£22,885.00	002 EMI	£73.11	199	£14,548.89	
004 EMI	Travol	Lewis Merthyr Day Unit	5	£124.49	251	£31,246.99	003 EMI	£124.49	251	£31,246.99	
001 MH	Laser Minicoach & Bus Hire	Pontypridd Deaf Club	1 Sat	£30.00	52	£1,560.00	007 MH	£15.89	52	£826.28	
002 MH	Laser Minicoach & Bus Hire	Pentre House	2 (Tues & Fri)	£100.00	102		001 MH	£115.49	102	£11,779.98	Not to be awarded
003 MH	A G Taxis	Headways (Phil Hurley)	1 (Fri)	£55.00	50	£2,750.00	010 MH	£52.98	50	£2,649.00	
004 MH	D & S Taxis Llwynypia	Headways (Steve & Rhona)	2 (Fri) Extra day added for Joanne May, Dial A Ride*	£52.60	100	£5,260.00	003 MH	£41.68	50	£2,084.00	£2,630.00
001 SI	ACT	Cynon Social Inclusion	Ad hoc	£33.00	12	£396.00	04/150/SI	£84.76	12	£1,017.12	
002 SI	Travol	Taff Social Inclusion	Ad hoc	£99.00	12	£1,188.00	04/152/SI	£100.00	12	£1,200.00	
001 SG	Travol	Ynysybwl Day Centre	1 (Thrs)	£38.00	52	£1,976.00	001 SG	£52.98	52	£2,754.96	££30,414.00

Annual Totals

Proposed	£198,280.87
Minus Dial A Ride	£167,866.87

Existing	£155,081.80
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* Dial A Ride money will be transferred into the relevant budget to cover contracted transport costs

APPENDIX B

Education and Lifelong Learning:

001 LIB	Travol	Aberdare / Penrhwi-ceib er Library	1 Thrs every 3 weeks	£58.00	34	£1,972.00	002 LIB	£52.98	34	£1,801.32
002 LIB	Travol	Llantrisant Library	1 Thrs every 3 weeks	£35.00	17	£595.00	NEW	£0.00	0	£0.00
003 LIB	Travol	Rhydyfelin Library	1 Thrs every 3 weeks	£32.23	17	£547.91	001 LIB	£22.23	17	£377.91
004 LIB	Travol	Penygraig, Ton Pentre & Treherbert Library	1 Thrs every 3 weeks	£47.68	34	£1621.12	003 LIB	£47.68	51	£2,431.68
005 LIB	Travol	Tylorstown Library	1 Thrs every other week	£47.68	26	£1239.68	004 LIB	£74.17	26	£1,928.42

Annual Totals

Proposed

Existing

£5975.71

£5,728.77