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**Report to**

Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

6<sup>th</sup> February, 2008

**Report of**

Councillor Williams

**Title**

Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies –West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority

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**1 Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 This reports sets out details of the work of the West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

**2 Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is required constitutionally to appoint 3 members to the Authority

**3 Information on Work of Outside Body**

- 3.1 To oversee Centro with regard to public transport policy and operations across the West Midlands area.

**4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment**

- 4.1 To ensure representation and influence public transport policy with special regard to Coventry's interests, i.e. bus services, rail services and future proposals for BRT and other initiatives. Of Coventry's three members, one is a Committee Chairman and one is Leader of the Opposition

**5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment**

- 5.1 Coventry City Council's representatives on the West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority are Councillors Mrs Dixon, McNicholas and Williams. During the period November 2006 and October 2007 inclusive Councillor Mrs Dixon attended 17 of a possible 20 meetings held and the allowance was £3,603.36 (basic allowance). Councillor McNicholas attended 15 of a possible 20 meetings held and the allowance was £11,839.44 (basic and opposition group leader). Councillor Williams attended 19 of 23 meetings held and the allowance was £11,839.44 (basic and committee chairman).

List of background papers

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