



Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

16th April, 2014

Report of
Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment) – Councillor Kelly

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies - **Coventry and Warwickshire Local Transport Body**

1 Purpose of the Report

1.1 This report sets out details of the work of Coventry and Warwickshire Local Transport Body (CWLTB) during the last twelve month period.

2 Recommendations

2.1 Members are recommended to:

- a) Note the report back on the work of the CWLTB.
- b) Support the continuation of the City Council having representation on the CWLTB.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

- 3.1 The LTB is autonomous of any single body and comprises Warwickshire County Council, Coventry City Council, the Coventry and Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership (CWLEP) and Centro.
- 3.2 During 2012/13 the main role of the CWLTB has been to prioritise and discharge devolved major transport scheme funding. This process involved a detailed assessment and prioritisation of large pool of major transport scheme bids against specific criteria including their effectiveness at supporting the delivery of the CWLEP's strategic objectives.
- 3.3 Once the Local Growth Deal is finalised, transport funding will be subsumed into the Single Local Growth Fund (SLGF) which will be administered by the CWLEP, although the originally identified priorities will be retained. The release of additional transport funding will be dependent on the quality of the LEP's Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) and be subject to the comparative needs of other LEP priorities, e.g. skills.
- 3.4 It is anticipated that the LTB will continue to have a role following the transfer of funding to the SLGF, but as an informal advisory group to the CWLEP and Coventry and Warwickshire Joint Committee. It will be in the Council's interest to remain as a member of this group in order to have a say in future decisions on transport funding.

3.5 The LTB continues to meet on both an informal and formal basis as required. The last formal meeting was in July 2013.

3.6 More information on the CWLTB is available at: <http://www.cwlep.com/local-transport-body>

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

4.1 The City Council benefits from being a member of the LTB by engaging in strategic transport policy decisions relating to the work of the CWLEP.

5 What Financial Contribution Does the Council Make to this Organisation

5.1 The City Council does not make any direct financial contributions to the CWLTB. The City Council only incurs in kind costs in terms of officer time at meetings and administrative support.

6 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

6.1 Coventry City Council's representative on CWLTB is Councillor Kelly. During the period January 2013 to January 2014 inclusive Councillor Kelly attended the one formal meeting held and also the two informal meetings held.

6.2 There is no remuneration associated with this appointment

List of background papers

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Schedule of City Council Appointments to Outside Bodies

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