

Bus Transport Select Committee

Hearing 2

Friday 30 September 2016

Witness Guide for Members

Below are suggested themes and questions. They have been provided in advance to the witnesses to allow them to prepare for the types of issues that Members may be interested to explore. All Members are welcome to ask these questions or pose additional ones to the witnesses via the Committee Chairman.

Themes and Questions

Mike Bartram, Bus Policy Advisor, Transport Focus

- Please introduce yourself and provide an outline of the roles and responsibilities of your post.
- What is Transport Focus? What are its objectives?
- Please discuss your investigation of bus passenger priorities for improvement.
- What were the findings of your research into non-users and their propensity to use buses?
- Please discuss your research into punctuality and disruption in relation to bus transport.
- To what extent, in your view, are passengers consulted when shaping delivery models of local bus transport?
- In your view, what are the main opportunities and challenges, if any, associated with the recent Bus Services Bill?
- In your opinion, to what extent do bus service-related agreements, partnerships and franchises meet the needs of bus users and of local communities in general?
- What should Kent County Council do, if anything, to improve bus transport in Kent?

- Are there any other issues that you would like to raise with the Committee?