

Bus Transport Select Committee

Hearing 5

Tuesday 25 October 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

Heath Williams, Regional Managing Director for Arriva Southern Counties

- Please introduce yourself and provide an outline of the roles and responsibilities of your post.
- Please provide an overview of Arriva's operations in Kent. What are Arriva's roles and responsibilities in relation to the delivery of bus transport in Kent?
- In your view, what are the key issues around the commercial and subsidised bus network in Kent?
- What is, in your opinion, the role of public subsidy?
- What are the trends of the bus passenger market?
- In your view, what are the key issues around the Kent Young Person's Travel Pass – if any?
- Please discuss the extent of the impact of congestion in Kent.
- What is your view on the effectiveness of local Quality Bus Partnerships? What are the key activities that, in your opinion, these partnerships should focus on?
- In your view, what are the main challenges and opportunities associated with the Bus Services Bill, if any?
- What can KCC do, if anything, to promote improved bus transport in Kent?
- Are there any other issues that you would like to raise with the Committee?