

Bus Transport Select Committee

Hearing 6

Friday 28 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

Stephen Elsdon, Chief Executive, Compaid

Steve Pay, Public Transport Planning and Operations Manager, Kent County Council

- Please introduce yourselves and provide an outline of the roles and responsibilities that your posts involve.
- What is Compaid? Please provide an outline of the main services provided by the organisation.
- What is the Kent Karrier scheme? Please explain: who provides the scheme; what services are offered; who can use it; and how much the service costs.
- What is the extent of Kent County Council's involvement in Community Transport?
- What are the main challenges, if any, facing community transport providers in Kent?
- With regard to local bus transport, what are the main issues facing disabled people in Kent?
- How do community transport providers share information and best practice?
- In your view, in what ways – if any - can the provision of community transport in Kent be improved?

- In your opinion, what are the main opportunities and challenges, if any, associated with the recent Bus Services Bill?
- What should KCC do, if anything, to improve bus transport in Kent?
- Are there any other issues that you would like to raise with the Committee?