

**From:** Matthew Balfour, Cabinet Member for Planning, Transport, Highways and Waste

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**To:** **Scrutiny Committee – 5 October 2017**

**Subject:** Bus Select Committee Action Plan Update

**Classification** Unrestricted

**Summary:**

In accordance with the process for monitoring Select Committee recommendations as set out in the Constitution, (Appendix 4 – part 4), an action plan from the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director should be submitted to Scrutiny Committee for consideration three months after the County Council has received the Select Committee's final report.

This report sets out the Action Plan developed to deliver the Select Committee's recommendations and the progress made to date following the approval of the recommendations at County Council.

**1. Background**

1.1 The Bus Select Committee published its report in March 2017. The Terms of Reference were:

- To examine the current delivery model of local bus transport in Kent.
- To assess the extent to which KCC can prioritise support of the current delivery model of local bus transport in Kent, while having due regard to the resource implications and the budget setting processes.
- To explore whether alternative models of local bus transport delivery are available and, if so, to consider their viability and effectiveness.
- To consider the implications of the recent Bus Services Bill for bus transport in Kent.
- To make recommendations after having gathered evidence and information throughout the review

1.2 The Select Committee found that the local authority is working hard, in collaboration with local bus operators and other organisations, to provide quality bus services for Kent residents but that more could be done and agreed a number of recommendations.

1.3 These recommendations and progress to date are set out in Appendix 1 which is attached to this report.

## **2. Recommendation(s):**

Members of the Scrutiny Committee are asked to acknowledge the progress to date to deliver the recommendations of the Bus Transport Select Committee as set out in Appendix 1.

## **3. Appendices**

Appendix 1: Bus Select Committee – Progress against Action Plan

## **4. Contact details**

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