

**Appendix 3:**

**Urgency decisions taken under the Improvement and Scrutiny Procedure Rules where call-in was waived**

**29 June 2022 to 26 August 2022**

<b>Subject of Decision</b>	<b>Decision Taken by and Date Taken</b>	<b>Decision Taken</b>	<b>Reason for Decision</b>	<b>Reason for Urgency</b>
Travel Payments for Commissioned Homecare	Cabinet Member for Adult Care 14 July	To seek Cabinet Member approval to make an additional payment of 16 pence against each travel payment made to commissioned home care providers for an initial 13-week period. The payment would commence from the 16 July 2022 and will assist providers to pay a similar travel payment to that received by the Council's own homecare staff.	Providers are advising that staff are leaving due to the increase in fuel costs. This is causing uncertainty in the market where there is already a shortfall in the provision of home care.	To support the market to enable providers to retain as well as encourage new entrants into the workforce.
Contracted transport services and concessionary fares	Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport, and Infrastructure 15 July 2022	To note the current situation regarding passenger transport services and the ending of specific COVID 19 financial support for suspended or cancelled support local bus	To provide clarity about funding arrangements to assist bus operators to make informed business decisions as they review the viability of services from 1	The concessionary fare payment at pre-pandemic levels is keeping many services operating commercially. If this support was removed, the Council

		<p>services and mainstream and SEND school transport after 30 September 2022.</p> <p>To approve the continuation of 75% of contracted charged for ASCH transport services until 31 March 2023 with the option to terminate contracts earlier than this date, with notice, where possible.</p> <p>To approve the proposed concessionary fares payments at pre-pandemic levels for a further six months from 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023.</p>	<p>October 2022 (when Government support funding expires)</p>	<p>would have to consider options including intervening to provide additional significant levels of funding to keep services going in communities.</p> <p>An early decision about continuation of concessionary fare payment at pre-pandemic levels, would provide stability and certainty that will prevent routes being de-registered and withdrawn</p>
Place Fees and Charges Review	<p>Cabinet Member for Strategic Leadership, Culture, Tourism and Climate Change 20 July 2022</p>	<p>To seek approval of the revised fees and charges for the Place Department for 2022-23</p>	<p>To coincide with the Countryside Services busy summer holiday period, adverts have been placed in local newspapers to advertise increases in parking fees with a view to the posters going in the car parks at the end of July.</p>	<p>A delay in approval of this decision will mean that the Council is not able to increase its income and meet the revised income targets that have been set in order for Place to meet some of its savings targets.</p>

<p>Ash Dieback Survey</p>	<p>Environment and Transport Director 22 July 2022</p>	<p>To seek approval to award a contract, under Protocol 2B of the Council's Financial Regulations for a Highway Ash Dieback Survey for a period of seven months.</p>	<p>The project is to survey the A and B class roads in Derbyshire (1153km total length) to identify those trees exhibiting signs of Ash Dieback Disease (ADB). This will inform the safety programme of management this autumn and winter.</p>	<p>The decision is urgent as the annual survey window for ash trees is small (June to September), they are the last species in to leaf and the first to shed in the autumn. It is essential that the chosen contractor is able to mobilise immediately to ensure that they have as much time as possible to complete the physical survey of trees before the end of September.</p>
<p>Home to School Transport and Primary School Swimming Transport Contracts (PTU 218)</p>	<p>Executive Director – Place 25 July 2022</p>	<p>To seek approval under Protocol 3 of the Council's Financial Regulations, to award one home to school transport contract and 31 primary school swimming transport timetables for a period of three years from 1 September 2022, with the option to extend for a period of two years, up to a maximum of five years, subject to an annual performance review.</p>	<p>To meet statutory requirements.</p>	<p>Statutory home to school contracts start 1st September 2022 so decision needs to be implemented immediately and cannot wait 5 working days.</p>

		Retrospective approval is also sought for the call-off of an emergency home to school transport contract which commenced on 6 June 2022. This contract has been awarded on an emergency basis for 9 months until 31 March 2023		
Home to School Transport and Primary School Swimming Transport Contracts (PTU 220)	Executive Director – Place 15 August 2022	To seek approval, under Protocol 3 of the Council’s Financial Regulations, to award seven home to school transport contract and six primary school swimming transport timetables for a period of three years, up to a maximum of five years, subject to an annual performance review. Home to School Transport contracts will commence on 31 October 2022 and primary school swimming transport on 16 September 2022.	To meet statutory requirements	Primary school swimming transport will be required from September 2022 and contract awards need to be made, and cannot wait 5 working days.

<p>Impact of changes in government Covid support funding on commercial bus services in Derbyshire</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Infrastructure. 22 August</p>	<p>Notes the general impact of the end of most government funding support on commercial bus services in October and the specific immediate affect this will have on the 9, 53 and 401 services.</p> <p>Agrees to provide £189,275 in financial support to enable the continued operation of these 3 services for another 12 months.</p> <p>Agrees to receive a potential further report on other bus service changes and support once the impact of the proposed commercial route changes in October becomes clearer.</p>	<p>To mitigate the impact of the imminent withdrawal of the 53 bus service on 28 August and the 9 and 401 on 5 September</p>	<p>To ensure the continuity of these service a decision is required immediately to provide funding support for the next 12 months.</p>
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