
Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture)

Date: 20 December 2012

Subject: Scrutiny Inquiry – Bus Services in Leeds

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

1. The Board decided at its first meeting that it wished to carry out an inquiry on bus services this year. A working group meeting was held on 2 August to meet with representatives from City Development and Metro to scope the inquiry, resulting in the attached terms of reference for the inquiry being agreed by the Board (Appendix 1).
2. The first formal session of the inquiry took place in November and the second session was scheduled for December. 2 reports are attached providing evidence for this session of the inquiry. The first is a report on the camera enforcement of bus lanes (Appendix 2). The second is a report from the Director of City Development which also incorporates information provided by Metro (Appendix 3). Officers from Environment & Neighbourhoods, City Development and Metro will be at the meeting to respond to members' questions and comments.
3. The Board decided in November that it would add a third session to the inquiry, in January 2013, in order to provide additional time to gather evidence. This session has now been confirmed as an additional Board meeting on 31 January 2013. The third session will involve dialogue with representatives from bus operators and passenger representatives.

Recommendation

4. The board is requested to consider the issues raised by this session of the inquiry.

Background documents¹

None used

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.