

**Executive Member for Corporate Services
and Advisory Panel**

12 December 2006

Report of the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive

Presentation on the Collaborative Transport Project

Summary

1. This report gives a brief background to a presentation that is to be given by the consultants, Kendric Ash on their findings to date on the collaborative transport project.

Background

2. The collaborative transport project is a project that commenced in late 2005 when funding was awarded to the Council from the Yorkshire and Humber Centre of Excellence to conduct a transport review and work collaboratively with the York Hospital Trust to explore areas where the two organisations could work together. The project scope got wider when the East Riding Council and East Riding Primary Care Trust (PCT) became involved and further funding was awarded from the then Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Assembly.
3. The Local Authorities awarded the work to Kendric Ash who have a proven track record in local government transport reviews and who specialise in working with authorities as a 'transformational partner' and work with them to bring about change. The brief given to Kendric Ash was to review the transport operations in each of the organisations then to look at opportunities for collaboration between the different organisations.
4. The review is to be done in several phases, the presentation to the Executive Member for Corporate Services and Advisory Panel will focus on the findings from phase 1 which was to gather information about existing transport operations and then state what feasible options could be further investigated to improve the quality of services, make them more efficient and reduce costs. The areas covered in York were social services transport of clients, home to school transport, special educational needs (SEN) transport, fleet management and the use of pool cars. In total the council spends in excess of £3m per annum on these services.

Consultation

5. Kendric Ash have consulted with all the relevant officers in each organisation.

Options

6. There are no options to be considered in this report which is just giving background to the presentation. The report from Kendric Ash on phase 1 will contain options about how to continue with this review of transport services and therefore a further report will be brought back to members once these options have been considered.

Analysis

7. This section is not applicable.

Corporate Priorities

8. The main corporate priority that this review is supporting is to 'Improve efficiency and reduce waste to free up more resources', There could also be a link to 'Increase the use of public and other environmentally friendly modes of transport' where some of the actions the council could take from this review actually reduce the number of vehicle journeys currently being made.

Implications

9. Any implications arising from the options that the council would wish to pursue will be included in the further report to Members. The implications included here relate to the work done in phase 1 Kendric Ash
 - **Financial** – The fees payable for phase 1 will be funded from the grant awarded by the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Assembly.
 - **Human Resources (HR)** – There are no implications
 - **Equalities** There are no implications.
 - **Legal** There are no implications
 - **Crime and Disorder** - There are no implications
 - **Information Technology (IT)** There are no implications
 - **Property** There are no implications
 - **Other** - There are no implications

Risk Management

10. Any risk implications will be included in the further report to members.

Recommendations

11. That the Advisory Panel advise the Executive Member:

To note the information contained in the presentation on the collaborative transport review.

Reason: To update the Executive Member on the findings from phase 1 of the review.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) *None*

Wards Affected: *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers: None

Annexes: None