

APSE Transport & Mechanical Services Advisory Group

Wednesday 26 February 2014

Bankhead Depot, Glenrothes

1. Introduction & Welcome

The APSE Transport & Mechanical advisory group Chair Cllr Alistair Watson thanked all for attending today's meeting in Glenrothes and also thanked Tom Henderson and Donald Duff of Fife Council for hosting the meeting in their new depot.

2. Attendance & Apologies

See attached.

3. Minutes of 28 August 2013

The minutes were agreed to be a true record of the meeting on the 28 August.

4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

5. Bankhead Depot Operations

The first presentation of the day was given by Donald Duff, Business Change Manager, Fife Council. Donald began his presentation by giving a bit of background to Fife Council and the depot rationalisation. He also highlighted some of the reasons for a super depot which included reducing carbon and waste.

Donald then went on to explain the journey the Council took to reach the destination of the super depot which included who was involved, how it was realised and when it all took place.

Finally Donald touched on some of the areas within the depot and explained that these would be seen during the tour later in the day.

6. The Road to Efficiency – ASN School Transport

The second presentation of the day was by George Corbett, Contracts Manager/Transport, East Ayrshire Council. George began his presentation by providing an overview of the Transport Services and subsequent ASN Transport reviews of the Council.

George then went on to explain some of the outcomes from the review which included:-

- More competitive tenders
- Reduced journey times for pupils
- Introduction of pupil passport
- Save £250k per annum

George concluded his presentation by providing the group with details of the Social Service Transport review and some of the outcomes from this.

7. APSE Update

Louise McMillan provided a comprehensive update on the work of the Association. This included an update on the research projects which APSE would be working on over 2014 as well as the recent briefing papers and publications which had been released.

The group were also informed that APSE provided oral evidence to the Cosla commission on the future of local democracy, a follow up from the meeting which APSE had with members of Cosla in December.

Louise also updated the group on APSE Solutions, APSE Training, Performance Networks and the upcoming seminars. In particular the upcoming Fleet, Waste & Grounds seminar taking place in Aviemore on 6/9 May 2014.

8. Bankhead: Depot, Workshop, Fuel Site & Truck Wash Tour

The attendees were taken on a tour of the depot facilities with Tom Henderson, Donald Duff, Robin O'Connell & Graham Hodgkins of Fife Council all on hand to answer any questions as the group were taken around the various sections for transport services.

9. AOCB

There was no other competent business.

10. Future agenda items for next meeting

The group agreed to contact the APSE office with any agenda item ideas which they may have.

11. Date & venue of next meeting

The next meeting of the group would be at the Scottish fleet, waste & grounds seminar in Aviemore 6-9 May 2014.

12. Lunch

13. Performance Networks Working Group

A discussion around the current templates for transport were discussed within the group with a number of queries and questions posed to Dave Knapman.

It was agreed that it would be beneficial for the group to have a transport discussion meeting at the Aviemore event in May and that Louise McMillan would liaise with Emil Laiolo and David Burnie regarding this.

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Attendee List

Name	Council
Louise McMillan	APSE
Garry Lee	APSE
Ian Paisley	Aberdeenshire Council
Gordon Bryce	Dumfries & Galloway Council
Iain Haining	Dumfries & Galloway Council
Grant Morrison	Dundee City Council
Fraser Crichton	Dundee City Council
George Corbett	East Ayrshire Council
Paul Curran	East Dunbartonshire Council
Gordon Moffatt	East Renfrewshire Council
Pat Taggart	Falkirk Council
Tom Henderson	Fife Council
Donald Duff	Fife Council
Robin O'Connell	Fife Council
Graham Hodgkins	Fife Council
Emil Laiolo	Glasgow City Council
Cllr Alistair Watson	Glasgow City Council
Andy Waddell	Glasgow City Council
John McWilliams	Inverclyde Council
Dave Knapman	IQSS
Trevor Docherty	Midlothian Council
Gordon Mitchell	North Ayrshire Council
Gerry Farrell	North Lanarkshire Council
David Burnie	Renfrewshire Council
Andy Greig	Renfrewshire Council

John Martin	Scottish Borders Council
Steven McInroy	SGM Contracts LLP
David Leitch	West Dunbartonshire Council
Phil Galashan	West Lothian Council

Apologies

Willie MacPherson	Highland Council
Robert Stevenson	East Ayrshire Council
Nigel Buchan	Aberdeen City Council
Bill Morton	Perth & Kinross Council
John Maxwell	North Lanarkshire Council
Graham Johnstone	North Lanarkshire Council