



REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR TRANSPORT PROPERTY AND ENVIRONMENT

TRAVELINE EAST MIDLANDS - SYSTEMS SUPPLIER MEETING IN MUNICH 2012

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval for the Traveline East Midlands Regional Manager to travel to Munich on 25th June 2012 for a review meeting with the Traveline systems supplier.

Information and Advice

2. Traveline is a partnership of bus operators and local authorities set up to provide impartial public transport information in the UK to meet the legal obligations and strategic objectives contained in the Transport Act 2000.
3. The organisation operates on a regional basis. David Simpson is the Regional Manager who is responsible for the management, development, operation and provision of the systems and services of Traveline in the East Midlands.
4. The post of Regional Manager is hosted by Nottinghamshire on behalf of the 12 local transport authorities that make up the East Midlands region and is based at Trent Bridge House in the Transport, Property and Environment Division, Transport and Travel Services.
5. All the local authorities in the region make an annual contribution to a central budget which covers the cost of the Regional Manager, travel costs and all systems related expenditure. Each authority contributes a share which is calculated in proportion to population size. The contribution for Nottinghamshire in this financial year is £17,000.
6. Nottinghamshire is the lead authority for a joint contract between Traveline East Midlands and Traveline East Anglia. The same system is also used by Traveline South East and the three regions have joint quarterly review meetings with the supplier, one of which is at the supplier's offices in Germany.

Reason for Recommendation

7. The trip has the agreement of all the local authorities in the region and has been authorised by the Head of Passenger Transport at Leicestershire County Council who is the chair of the regional group.

Statutory and Policy Implications

8. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

9. The cost of the trip, including travel, accommodation and expenses is £350 which is funded from the Traveline East Midlands budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That consideration be given to attendance at the Traveline review meeting in Munich in 2012.

Jas Hundal

SERVICE DIRECTOR TRANSPORT, PROPERTY AND ENVIRONMENT

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 30/04/2012)

10. The Council's Travel and Accommodation Policy requires all Officer travel outside the UK to be approved by Administration Committee. Paragraph 10.3 of the Delegation to Administration Committee which is set out in Part 3 of the Constitution confirms that the Committee has authority.

Financial Comments (DJK 27.04.12)

11. The financial implications are brought out in the body of this report and are funded from the Traveline East Midlands budget.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None

Electoral Divisions and Members Affected

Ashfield All

Bassetlaw All

Broxtowe All

Mansfield All

Rushcliffe All