

Department for Transport Bus Service Operators Grant – County Council Annual Report 2021-22

The Bus Service Operators Grant is a grant paid to operators of eligible bus services and community transport organisations to help them recover some of their fuel costs. Prior to 2013, BSOG was paid directly to operators for directly contracted services. Since 2013 these payments have been made to local authorities for running bus services and investing in public transport infrastructure.

The County Council is required to report on how it has made use of the devolved funds. This report is completed annually, submitted to the Department for Transport and a summary is published at the links below.

Please find a summary of the 2021-22 report below:

Bus Service Operator Grant spend

- maintaining current tendered services: £40,289
- investing in supporting bus infrastructure provision: £781,849
- Other bus supporting measures: £105,211
- Total: £927,349

In addition to the Bus Service Operators Grant, the County Council spent other financial resources on supporting bus services. This did not include funding from COVID Local Transport Authority Bus Service Support Grant.

How money on bus services and bus stop infrastructure over and above Bus Service Operators Grant and / or COVID Bus Service Support Grant was spent

- maintaining current tendered services: £3,959,795
- Community transport run under a section 19 permit: £ 30,000
- bus stops/shelters: £ 12,000
- real time journey information: £21, 583
- other bus supporting measures: £527,722
- total: £4,551,100

93% of our allocated Bus Service Operators Grant for 2021 to 2022 was spent. The remaining 7% was carried over into 2022-2023 to support our real time information provision.