

10.00am, Thursday, 27 April 2017

Appointment to the Board of Transport for Edinburgh and Lothian Buses

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Executive Summary

Mr Steve Cassidy was appointed to the Board of Transport for Edinburgh (TfE) as a Non-Executive Director on 18 December 2013 for the period of two years. Mr Cassidy was appointed as a Non-Executive Director to the Board of Lothian Buses (LB) on 6 February 2014 for a period of three years. This report requests Council approval for the retrospective appointment of Mr Cassidy to the Board of TfE for the period 18 December 2015 - 17 December 2018, in line with all other appointments to the company Board. The report also requests the re-appointment of Mr Cassidy to the Board of LB for the period 6 February 2017 – 5 February 2019.

Links

Coalition Pledges	P19 , P50
Council Priorities	CP7 , CP8 , CP9 , CP12
Single Outcome Agreement	SO1

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that Council approves:
 - 1.1.1 The retrospective appointment of Mr Steve Cassidy to the Board of TfE for the period 18 December 2015 - 17 December 2018; and
 - 1.1.2 The appointment of Mr Steve Cassidy to the Board of LB for the period 6 February 2017 – 5 February 2019.

2. Background

- 2.1 TfE was established in October 2013 as the parent company for Lothian Buses (LB) and Edinburgh Trams (ET). TfE is an Arms Length External Organisation (ALEO) wholly owned by the City of Edinburgh Council. This arrangement is governed by a shareholder agreement between the City of Edinburgh Council and TfE.
- 2.2 LB is an ALEO which is 91% owned by the City of Edinburgh Council. This arrangement is governed by a shareholder agreement between the Council and LB.

3. Main report

Re-appointment to the Board of Transport for Edinburgh

- 3.1 Mr Steve Cassidy was appointed to the Board of TfE as a Non-Executive Director on 18 December 2013 for the period of two years. Legally he remains a company Director as no action has been taken to remove him from this position.
- 3.2 The Board of TfE have approved in principle the retrospective re-appointment of Mr Cassidy for the period from 18 December 2015 – 17 December 2018 (a period of three years). This will be ratified at their Board meeting on 26 May 2017. This appointment is in line with other Non-Executive Director appointments to the Board of TfE.
- 3.3 It is recommended that Council retrospectively approves the re-appointment of Steve Cassidy to the Board of TfE for the period outlined in para 3.2.

Re-appointment to the Board of Lothian Buses

- 3.4 Mr Steve Cassidy was appointed to the Board of LB as a Non-Executive Director on 6 February 2014 for the period of three years.
- 3.5 The Board of LB have approved Mr Cassidy's appointment for the period 6 February 2017 – 5 February 2019 on 14 April 2017 (to be confirmed post-APM). This is in line with other Non-Executive Director appointments to the Board of LB.
- 3.6 It is recommended that Council approves the re-appointment of Steve Cassidy to the Board of LB for the period outlined in para 3.5.

4. Measures of success

- 4.1 Delivery of a safe, efficient and cost effective integrated transport operation for the city.

5. Financial impact

- 5.1 There are no financial impacts arising from this report.

6. Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

- 6.1 The appointment of both executive and non executive directors to the Board of ET helps to ensure there is good governance, and management of operational and financial risk.

7. Equalities impact

- 7.1 There are no equalities impacts arising from the recommendations in this report.

8. Sustainability impact

- 8.1 There are no sustainability impacts arising from the recommendations in this report.

9. Consultation and engagement

- 9.1 The Boards of TfE and LB have approved these appointments.

10. Background reading/external references

None

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11. Links

Coalition Pledges	P19 – Keeping Lothian Buses in public hands and encourage the improvement of routes and times P50 – Meet greenhouse gas targets, including the national target of 42% by 2020
Council Priorities	CP7 – Access to work and learning CP8 – A vibrant, sustainable local economy CP9 – An attractive city CP12 – A built environment to match our ambition
Single Outcome Agreement	SO1 – Edinburgh’s economy delivers increased investment, jobs and opportunities for all
Appendices	None