# **Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee**

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## Tram – practical experience of operation visits

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## **Executive summary**

# Tram – practical experience of operation visits

### **Summary**

The Tram project is approaching its operational phase and there is an opportunity to visit other cities with tram systems to learn from their practical experience. The key areas for insight include, but are not restricted to, integrated public transport, safety matters and other operational lessons. Nottingham, Manchester, Sheffield, Luton and Dublin have practical operational experience and it is hoped the visits could take place in March/April.

#### Recommendations

To approve a visit to current tram operating cities by the Convener and Vice Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee, the Tram Media Manager and up to two other appropriate officers. It is anticipated that the Tram Manager may also wish to attend. Attendance would also be open to opposition Transport Spokespeople.

#### Measures of success

A greater understanding of practical tram issues will lead to a smoother transition from the construction phase to operation.

## Financial impact

Costs are within budget and travel and subsistence expenses will be minimised and met by Services for Communities.

## **Equalities impact**

Not applicable

## **Sustainability impact**

Arrangements will be made in accordance with the Council's Sustainable Travel Plan.

### **Consultation and engagement**

Not applicable

## Background reading / external references

None