

SOMERSET COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS MEMBER / OFFICER DECISION RECORD

KEY DECISION RECORD

Bus Service 96 Contract Award

Executive Member(s): Cllr Mike Rigby, Lead Member for Transport and Digital

Local Member(s) and Division: All

Lead Officer: Mickey Green, Executive Director, Climate and Place

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Date of decision: 4 July 2023

Date of publication of decision: 4 July 2023

Date decision comes into force: 4 July 2023

1. Officer Key Decision

That the Executive Director, Climate and Place authorised:

- a. The award of a contract to South West Coaches Ltd for the operation of bus service 96 for an initial period of five years with an option for a two-year extension.

Note – the Deputy Leader and Lead Member for Resources and Performance and the Chair, Scrutiny Committee - Climate and Place have agreed the use of special urgency to consider the above recommendations and the use of urgency to enable the immediate implementation of the decisions.

The Executive Director, Climate and Place

2. Reason for Decision(s)

As set out in the Officer's report.

3. Reason(s) for Urgency

It is proposed to take this decision on the date shown above as it would be impracticable to publish a notice under Regulation 10 or to defer this decision until the Scrutiny call-in period had lapsed.

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4. **Details of any alternative options considered and rejected**
As set out in the Officer's report.

5. **Any relevant Personal Interest that the Lead Member may have under the Council's Code of Conduct for Members**
None.

6. **Details of any conflict(s) of interest declared by a Lead Member consulted about the proposals and any dispensation from Chief Executive**
None.

7. **Other background information considered by the Officers before making this decision**
Representations and comments received from Somerset Council Elected Members.