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Devolved BSOG Grant - Annual Outputs Report 2017

50%

2. SECTION B: TENDERED BUS NETWORK

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"A tendered service is one where a local transport authority has invited tenders for the operation of a service (not e.g. seats on a bus or subsidised tickets), and a contract exists as a result of that tender"

8. What have you used the developed funds for? *

- A. Maintain current tendered services
- B. Increase level of tendered services
- C. Invest in alternative services (e.g. community transport, taxi buses)
- D. Invest in supporting bus infrastructure provision
- E. Other
- Other (please specify):

Mobility bus services including dial a ride services- Medway Mobility

9. If you ticked C, D or E in Q8, please specify the type of services/infrastructure you have invested in:

- A. Community Transport run under a section 19 permit
- B. Taxi Buses
- C. Network re-design/configuration
- D. Bus stops/shelters
- E. Bus lanes
- F. Bus priority signalling
- G. RTI (Real Time Information)

H. Funding Kick-start services

Other (Please specify):

Mobility bus services including dial a ride services- Medway Mobility. This runs on a daily basis and collects pre-booked passengers. The Medway Mobility service caters for those who are elderly and/or frail who would struggle with using normal buses. Vehicles are wheelchair accessible and have lifts.

10. If you have observed any direct or indirect impacts as a result of the way in which you have used the devolved funds?

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A. Cost reductions to the local authority

B. Successful Kick-starts

C. Increase in patronage due to investment in infrastructure

D. The commercial market replacing any lost tendered routes

E. There have been no observed impacts

F. Other (Please describe here):

In 2016/17 bus patronage recorded in Medway for all operators for commercial and subsidised routes was 8,902,079. This compares to 2015/16 of 8,709,267- an increase of 2.2%.

A smaller independent operator has taken on one route which another commercial operator deregistered around a provincial estate in Chatham.

11. Please provide a short description of whether you took any mitigating action to reduce the impact of the transfer of BSOG on operators? *

All operator payments are paid in a timely manner on a monthly basis with contracted payments.

12. Please specify how much your local transport authority spent on tendered bus

services in 2015/16? *

£1,093,965

13. Please specify how much your local transport authority spent on tendered bus services in 2016/17? *

£1,071,711

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