

#### Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

#### 1. Background

**1.1** The Scottish Regional Transport Partnerships have been included in the schedule of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010. The act requires annual publication of certain information and this report advises the Board of the information to be published.

#### 2 Introduction

- 2.1 Sections 31 and 32 of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 ("the Act") impose duties on the Scottish Government and listed public bodies to publish information on expenditure and certain other matters as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year. These duties came into force on 10ctober 2010 by virtue of The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Commencement No.2) Order 2010 (S8I 2010 No 321).
- **2.2** Sections 31(7) and 32(2) of the Act provide that listed public bodies must have regard to any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about the duties imposed by these sections. Guidance designed to assist public bodies in giving effect to these statutory duties and to promote consistency between bodies in the way in which they give effect to these duties was laid before Parliament as required by the Act and this guidance has been followed in preparing the information for publication.

#### 3 Data to be Published

- **3.1** Section 31(1) and (2) require public bodies to publish as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year a statement of any expenditure they have incurred during that financial year on or in connection with the following matters:
  - Public relations;
  - Overseas travel;
  - Hospitality and entertainment;
  - External consultancy;
  - Payments with a value in excess of £25,000
  - Members or employees who received remuneration in excess of £150,000



- **3.2** Sustainable economic growth
  - **3.2.1** Section 32(1)(a) provides that as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year each listed public body must publish a statement of the steps it has taken during that financial year to promote and increase sustainable growth through the exercise of its functions. Since this requires the publication of a statement it is not sufficient simply to refer to other published material such as the Annual Report.
- **3.3** Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economy
  - **3.3.1** Section 32(1)(b) provides that as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year each listed public body must publish a statement of the steps it has taken during that financial year to improve efficiency, effectiveness and economy in the exercise of its functions. Again this requires the publication of a free standing statement and it is not sufficient simply to refer to other published material such as the Annual Report.
  - **3.3.2** The Scottish Government has published guidance on the definition of efficiencies and this has been followed.
- **3.4** The data as described in sections 3.1 to 3.3 of this report is included in Appendices 1, 2 and 3 of this report and will be published on the SEStran web site in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

#### 4 Recommendation

**4.1** The board is asked to note the content of the material for publication under the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 and detailed in Appendices 1, 2 and 3 of this report and to note that it will be published on the SEStran web site.

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Appendix 1 – Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 Schedule of Expenditure
Appendix 2 - Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 Statement on Sustainable
Economic Growth

**Appendix 3 -** Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 Statement of Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economy



Policy Implications	None
Financial Implications	None
Race Equalities Implications	None
Gender Equalities Implications	None
Disability Equalities Implications	None

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#### 1) Public Relations

Supplier	External costs - invoiced (net)	Internal Staff Costs	Supplier Total	Comments
In-House Communications		£43,030	£43,030	
Bauer Radio	£190		·	
Bauer Radio	£2,833			
Bauer Radio	£1,083			
Bauer Radio	£1,396			100% recovered from One Ticket
Bauer Radio	£366			100% recovered from One Ticket
Bauer Radio	£1,083			
Bauer Radio	£1,917			
Bauer Radio	£1,873			
Bauer Radio	£937			
Bauer Radio	£2,833			
Bauer Radio	£2,833		£17,345	
Borderevents.com	£145		·	
Borderevents.com	£145			
Borderevents.com	£145		£435	
BT	£285		£285	
Craven Publishing	£595		£595	
DC Publishing Ltd	£330		£330	
Distinctive Publishing	£300			
Distinctive Publishing	£995		£1,295	
Edmonds UK	£800		£800	
Eyemouth Town Community Council	£4,000		£4,000	
Falkland Stewardship Trust	£2,500		·	
Falkland Stewardship Trust	£750		£3,250	
Hillside Outside Ltd	£2,000		£2,000	
Kingdon FM	£1,800		£1,800	
Links Design	£4,053		·	
Links Design	£1,520			
Links Design	£70			
Links Design	£50			
Links Design	£195			50% funded by ERDF (Weastflows)
Links Design	£158			50% funded by ERDF (Lo Pinod)
Links Design	£200			
Links Design	£2,647			
Links Design	£158			50% funded by ERDF (I Transfer)
Links Design	£40			
Links Design	£300		£9,390	
Panache	£77		£77	
Paths for All	£70		£70	
Spokes	£95		£95	
Tweed Love	£1,000		£1,000	
Yell Ltd	£895		£895	

Total

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#### 2) Overseas Travel

Reason	Origin / Destination	Travel Costs	Subsistence	Accomodation	Total (net)	Comments
ryport	Edinburgh/ Brussels	£1,481				50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Brussels	£28				50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Brussels			£350		50% funded by ERDF
podport	Edinburgh/ London/ Billund	£709				50% funded by ERDF
oodport	Billund/ London/ Edinburgh	£706				50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Edinburgh/ Amsterdam	£1,078				50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Birmingham/ Shannon	£72			£72	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Edinburgh/ Shannon	£71			£71	50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Edinburgh/ Amsterdam	£176			£176	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Shannon/ Edinburgh	£101			£101	50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Amsterdam		£43		£43	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Shannon/ Edinburgh	£12				50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Shannon/ Edinburgh	£13				50% funded by ERDF
podport	Edinburgh/ Brussels	£991				50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Gothenburg/ Heathrow/ Edinburgh	£378				50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Edinburgh/ Heathrow/ Gothenburg	£531				50% funded by ERDF
21	Brussels	2331		£238		50% funded by ERDF
oodport						
/eastflows	Limerick			£183		50% funded by ERDF
podport	Edinburgh/ Copenhagen/ Gothenburg	£309				50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Edinburgh/ Copenhagen/ Gothenburg	-£30				50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Edinburgh/ Copenhagen/ Gothenburg	-£17				50% funded by ERDF
podport	Edinburgh/ Copenhagen/ Gothenburg	£186				50% funded by ERDF
podport	Gothenburg			£1,102		50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Bremen		£48		£48	50% funded by ERDF
ryport	Bremen			£495	£495	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Edinburgh/ Paris	£180			£180	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Edinburgh/ Paris	£321			£321	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Paris			£41	£41	50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Le Havre			£468		50% funded by ERDF
oodport	Edinburgh/ Copenhagen/ Oslo	£701		2100		50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Hamburg	£18				50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Edinburgh/ Amsterdam/ Hamburg	£73				50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod		£13				
	Hamburg					50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Edinburgh/ Amsterdam/ Hamburg	£1,278				50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Hamburg	£50				50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Amsterdam		£9			50% funded by ERDF
oodport	Edinburgh/ Copenhagen	£742				50% funded by ERDF
TPI	Edinburgh/ Paris	£176				40% funded by ERDF
eastflows	Dusseldorf/ London/ Edinburgh	£344				50% funded by ERDF
/eastflows	Edinburgh/ London/ Dusseldorf	£124			£124	50% funded by ERDF
TPI	Paris			£586	£586	40% funded by ERDF
TPI	Paris	£198			£198	40% funded by ERDF
eastflows	Dusseldorf		£33			50% funded by ERDF
eastflows	Dusseldorf		200	£188		50% funded by ERDF
ore	Paris	£44		2100	£44	
hums	Brussels	Σ44		£191	£191	
podport	Edinburgh/ Amsterdam/ Bremen	£909		LIST		50% funded by ERDF
		£909 £99				
/eastflows	London/ Rotterdam					50% funded by ERDF
leastflows	Amsterdam/ Edinburgh	£92				50% funded by ERDF
leastflows	Aberdeen/ Heathrow/ Rotterdam	£191				50% funded by ERDF
Pinod	Brussels	£82				50% funded by ERDF
Pinod	Edinburgh/ Brussels	£465				50% funded by ERDF
leastflows	Amsterdam/ Edinburgh	£277				50% funded by ERDF
TPI	Paris/ Edinburgh	£337			£337	40% funded by ERDF
oodport	Amsterdam		£30		£30	50% funded by ERDF
podport	Amsterdam	i i	£94			50% funded by ERDF
podport	Rotterdam	1		£410		50% funded by ERDF
o Pinod	Brussels		£44	2110		50% funded by ERDF
	Brussels/ Edinburgh	£862	~			50% funded by ERDF

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#### 3) Hospitality & Entertainment

Supplier	Reason	Payment Date	Net Amount	Comments
Edinburgh Coach Lines	Hire 16 seater mini bus	15/05/2012	£178	50%funded by ERDF
Maid of the Forth	Boat cruise	23/05/2012	£132	50%funded by ERDF
James E McNee Coach Hire	Transfer party to EDI	15/11/2012	£145	50%funded by ERDF

#### Total

£455

#### 4) External Consultancy

Supplier	Project / Service	Net Amount	Supplier Total	Comments
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£43,333		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£26,409		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£81,850		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£43,333		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£33,409		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£81,850		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£111,685		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£81,850		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£33,409		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£43,333		40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	£9,797	£590.260	40% funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£5,126		£1,418 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£5,258		£1,248 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£4,029		£874 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Pro ect Mana ement	£4,956		£1 462 funded b ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£5,199		£625 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£3,372		£572 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£4,096		£523 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£7,300		£2,687 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£5,667		£1,444 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£2,422		£601 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£3,606		£1,344 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£4,840		£1,344 funded by ERDF
Lindean Partnership	Project Management	£4,780		£1,155 funded by ERDF
MVA Consultancy	I Transfer	£15,780		50% funded by ERDF
MVA Consultancy	I Transfer	£3,653		50% funded by ERDF
MVA Consultancy	RTS annual monitoring	£1,500		
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£2,890		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Foodport	£20,019		50% funded by ERDF
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£1,500		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£5,000		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£11,220		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	I Transfer & Joint Funded Project	£4,627		Funded by ERDF & by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£5,000		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£13,565		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£5,000		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£19,635		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£19,035 £4,750		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
MVA Consultancy	Joint Funded Project	£19,635		Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
The Spyria Partnership	Foodport	£19,635 £5,501		50% funded by ERDF
URS	Weastflows	£1,880		50% funded by ERDF
URS	Weastflows	£9,270		50% funded by ERDF
URS	Joint Funded Project	£27,437	£20 506	Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities
WYG	RTPI	£3,437	1.30,300	40% funded by ERDF
WYG	RTPI	£6,595		
WYG	RTPI	£6,090		40% funded by ERDF 40% funded by ERDF
WYG	RTPI	£6,090 £12,735		40% funded by ERDF
-	RTPI			
WYG WYG	RTPI	£5,438		40% funded by ERDF
	RTPI	£8,902		40% funded by ERDF
WYG	RTPI	£3,889		40% funded by ERDF
WYG WYG	RTPI	£6,915 £8,168		40% funded by ERDF
WIG	NIFI	L0,108	LOZ, 162	40% funded by ERDF

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#### 5) Payments in Excess of £25,000

Payee	Commodity / Service Description	Payment Date	Gross Amount	Comments
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	31/10/2012	£31,691	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	31/10/2012	£52,000	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	31/10/2012	£98,220	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	19/12/2012	£40,091	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	19/12/2012	£52,000	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	19/12/2012	£98,220	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	06/03/2013	£134,022	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	27/03/2013	£40,091	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	27/03/2013	£52,000	40% funded by ERDF
Ineo Systrans	RTPI	27/03/2013	£98,220	40% funded by ERDF
Liftshare	Sustainable Travel	24/10/2012	£29,999	
URS	Joint Funded Project	22/03/2013	£32,924	Commissioned & 100% funded by partner local authorities

Total

£759,479

6) Members or employees who received remuneration in excess of £150,000 Nil return.

## Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 Duties on Public Bodies to provide information

## **Sustainable Economic Growth – October 2013**

#### 1. Introduction

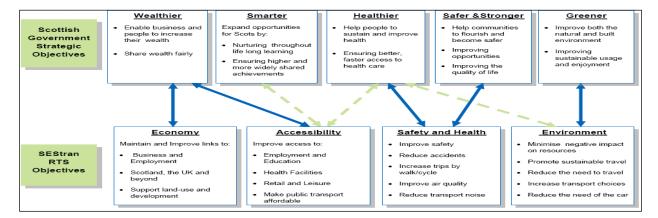
- Section 32(1)(a) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 provides that as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year each listed public body must publish a statement of the steps it has taken during the financial year to promote and increase sustainable growth through the exercise of its functions.
- II. SEStran is a listed body within the Act. This statement is intended to fulfil the requirement of the Act in relation to Sustainable Economic Growth. This statement should be read in conjunction with the statement on Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economy and the financial information provided on the SEStran website that are also required by the Act.

#### 2. Government purpose and performance framework

- I. The Government Economic Strategy, November 2007, sets out the Government's central purpose as: "To focus the Government and public services on creating a more successful country, with opportunities for all of Scotland to flourish, through increasing sustainable economic growth. By sustainable economic growth we mean building a dynamic and growing economy that will provide prosperity and opportunities for all, while ensuring that future generations can enjoy a better quality of life too."
- II. The National Performance Framework was developed to provide a clear focus and direction for the whole of the public sector in Scotland and all public bodies are expected to align their activity in support of the Purpose, Targets and the 15 National Outcomes set out in the Framework.

#### 3. Aligning to the Purpose and National Objectives

I. The SEStran Regional Transport Strategy, approved by Scottish Ministers in 2008, includes a diagram outlining how the Regional Transport Strategy objectives align with the National Objectives. This is reproduced below.



#### 4. Sustainable Economic Growth

- I. SEStran's primary function is to produce and implement a Regional Transport Strategy.
- II. Transport has long been recognised as a significant contributor to sustainable economic growth. The SEStran Regional Transport Strategy was developed in partnership with the eight local authorities within the SEStran area and involved extensive consultation with various sectors of the community, not least the business sector. Unlike many regions in the country, the SEStran area is projected to be the subject of strong growth in population, households and employment. The vision for SEStran contained in the RTS is:-

'South East Scotland is a dynamic and growing area which aspires to become one of northern Europe's leading economic regions. Essential to this is the development of a transport system which enables businesses to function effectively, allows all groups in society to share in the region's success through high quality access to services and opportunities, respects the environment, and contributes to better health.'

- III. The approved Strategic Development Plan for the SESplan area sets out the spatial strategy for achieving that growth. The Regional Transport Strategy has been a major input to the SDP and seeks to achieve the growth in a sustainable means minimising the impact of increasing congestion levels.
- IV. The principal ethos in setting and determining the Regional Transport Strategy has therefore been to encourage and permit sustainable economic growth.
- V. SEStran has commenced the process of reviewing the Regional Transport Strategy to reflect the current economic climate and changes that have taken place since it was approved in 2008.

## 5. What has been done in 2011/12I. Projects delivered directly by SEStran

Service	Description	Delivery Model	Benefits achieved
Real Time	Roll out of RTPI in East	External contract,	Roll out of real time
Bus	Lothian, Fife, Scottish Borders,	partnership with bus	bus passenger
Passenger	West Lothian and Cross border	companies, co-funding	information throughout
Information	services between SEStran and	from LAs and adjacent	the region will
	SWESTRANS. SEStran has	RTP. direct staff input.	encourage mode shift
	attracted funding from EU and		from car to bus and
	LA partners, procured the		provide better service
	necessary technical support		for bus users.
	and the contractor and		This will be a £3.33M
	developed operating and		investment in public
	maintenance agreements with		transport infrastructure

	the bus operators Eactory		in the region
	the bus operators. Factory acceptance tests have been successfully carried out and fitting out of vehicles is progressing well. Potential £3.33m project with 40% funding from Europe.		in the region. Investment during 2012/13 was £0.729m.
I –Transfer	EU 50% funded project examining the case for cross Forth passenger ferry services. Cross border project linking Fife and Edinburgh.	Partnership with private sector and other European partners. External contract and direct staff input. Collaboration with Napier TRI.	This project will improve access to jobs between Fife and Edinburgh Investment during 2012/13 was £75,000
Lo-Pinod	EU 50% funded project to promote freight movements by short sea shipping.	Partnership with European partners. External contract and direct staff input. Collaboration with Napier TRI.	The project will promote moving freight by short sea shipping. Investment during 2012/13 was £40,000
Connecting food ports	Examination of food product distribution throughout the region and linking to UK and Europe. 50% EU funding. Hitrans have joined this project and form a Scottish partnership with SEStran	Partnership with European partners, collaboration with Napier TRI, Hitrans and direct staff input	Potential to shift freight onto more sustainable modes with business development opportunities with our European partners in this project. £250k invested in the region. Investment during 2012/13 was £71,000
Weastflows	EU 50% funded project examining east to west flows of freight through Europe with the objective of promoting more sustainable forms of transport.	Partnership with other European partners. External contract and direct staff input.	Potential to shift freight onto more sustainable modes with business development opportunities with our European partners in this project. Investment during 2012/13 was £65,000
Edinburgh outer orbital BRT	Bus rapid transit scheme around outer orbital corridor linking East, Mid and West Lothian and Edinburgh, scheme development	Framework contract and input from partner authorities	STAG and feasibility study completed and with Transport Scotland and SEStran awaits response.
South Tay park and choose	Scheme development for park and choose site at south end of Tay road bridge.	Framework contract. Partnership with and co- funding from TACTRAN, Transport Scotland, Fife and Dundee.	Transport Scotland has agreed the site and the principle of a shared funding package for delivery. Potential for an ERDF funding bid to be made on completion of planning process.Project now included in Local Development Plan
SESPLAN	Shared office and admin services and strategic transport	Shared accommodation/service	Income of £48k per year from shared

Key Agency and influencing role	input to development of the SDP. Input to Community planning, single outcome agreements, SDP and LDPs, Rail utilisation strategies, rail timetabling reviews, rail franchise, high Speed rail, OFT and Competition Commission investigation into bus competition, Scottish Government consultations, transport Scotland strategies and major projects, DfT consultations etc.	agreement, use of framework contract and direct staff input Direct staff input, framework contracts, seconded consultant	accommodation and admin. staff has funded input to SDP Investment during 2012/13 was £8,000 Met statutory requirement for community planning and SOAs and influenced other providers to the benefit of SEStran area Investment during 2012/13 was £44,000
Liaison Groups and forums	SEStran hosts a rail forum that includes network rail and operators, a bus forum that includes operators, a sustainable transport forum and an Equalities Forum	Direct staff input and seconded consultant	Provision of a mechanism for sharing information and influencing providers and policy makers. Costs are included in other codes.
Accession	All authorities have been trained in the use of Accession and have access to the model through our term consultants. SEStran has reached agreement with other RTP's to share the costs of updating and operating the Accession model and also sharing the costs of annual licenses	Framework contract, shared service agreement with other RTPs.	Provided the basis for stage 1 input to SDP and to LDPs. Influenced land use allocations to minimise private transport Investment during 2012/13 was included in other cost codes.
Routewise	All authorities have access to the Routewise database which is maintained through SEStran and benefit from greatly reduced annual running costs through the economies of scale that have been achieved through the SEStran management of the system	External contract, shared service with partner authorities	Provision of data to TRAVELINE for SEStran area and for LA provision of transport data. The costs to partner authorities to provide this service individually would total £90K per annum. Investment during 2012/13 was £52,000
Travel Planning and sustainable travel including Tripshare	SEStran provides a focal point and funding for the development of travel planning and sustainable transport awareness to both public and private sector organisations. Tripshare car sharing initiative for the partnership	Grant award with match funding from partner organisations. Promotional material, events.	Travel plans developed for a wide range of organisations throughout the region Fastest growing car sharing club in UK. Major employers are now members Investment during 2012/13 was £117,000
Freight distribution	Through our Freight Quality partnership SEStran has looked at freight signing, lorry	Framework contract, EU match funding, Freight quality Partnership, direct	Delivery of freight projects in the RTS with active

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Parking Standards	parking and freight route mapping to improve the efficiency of freight movement in all authority areas and these initiatives have been delivered with match funding from the EU. SEStran has been successful in 4 bids for ERDF funding that are related to freight distribution and several initiatives are in the pipeline that will bring benefits throughout the region. SEStran has produced advice applicable to all authorities on parking standards in new developments, to provide consistency in application.	staff involvement.	involvement of the freight industry Investment during 2012/32 was covered in other project costs.
Park and ride strategy	SEStran developed a park and ride strategy looking at the sustainable development of	Framework contract	Policy input to SDP and Transport Scotland.
	park and ride facilities throughout the area and has developed a web site for users of these facilities		Development of promotional web site
Cycling Development	SEStran has produced a Cycling –Best Practice Handbook and an analysis of commuter cycling routes to define requirements for future investment (SEStran also provided a grant for implementation).	Framework contract grant with match funding from partner authorities	Current programme of urban cycle network improvements in partnership with LAs. provides grants to local authorities. Investment during 2012/13 was £20,000
Bus Services	SEStran provided survey information on the quality, fare levels and services provided in all local authority areas to provide a basis for looking at service improvements.	External Contract	Provided basis for SEStran input to OFT and Competition Commission inquiry into bus competition.
Equalities and Access to Healthcare	SEStran provides a forum for discussing and promoting issues of mutual concern	Direct staff input	Developed the SEStran Thistle Card to assist public transport passengers with mobility problems. Investment during 2012/13 was £8,000
Sustainable Urban Design	SEStran has developed a set of design standards	Framework contract	Used as input to SDP and LDPs
Regional transport model	Developed jointly with Transport Scotland the model has been used extensively by both SEStran for input to the SESPLAN SDP and by local authorities in analysing major developments	Framework contract in partnership with Transport Scotland	Input to SDP. Use by partner authorities for transport planning. Investment during 2012/13 was covered under other cost headings

Framework contracts	Procured for the provision of consultancy services and open for use by the partnership authorities. SEStran has framework contracts for the provision of the following consultancy services; • Strategic Transport Planning (MVA) • Transport Services (Scott Wilson) • Travel Planning	External framework contracts shared use by partner authorities	Many projects have been delivered through these commissions by SEStran and also by partnership authorities delivering local schemes Investment by partner authorities during 2012/13 was £72,000
	(Buchanans)		
One Ticket	Integrated ticket for multi operator public transport use in east central Scotland	SEStran manages One Ticket on behalf of the public transport operators company.	Total turnover for One Ticket in 2012/13 was £1.21m

## 2 RTS projects delivered by partner local authorities.

These will be reported in the individual returns from the authorities concerned.

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# Statement of efficiency, effectiveness and economy

## SEStran 2012/13

During 2012/13 SEStran has implemented a number of initiatives that have improved efficiency, effectiveness and economy and these are outlined below.

#### **Shared Services**

#### Shared accommodation, administration and supplies

SEStran provides accommodation in our office for SESPLAN, the strategic land use planning authority for Edinburgh, the Lothians, Fife and Scottish Borders. In addition, SESTran provides administration support to SESPLAN by sharing the use of our three Admin. staff and provides office supplies to them through access to the City of Edinburgh Council's framework contract for supplies and services. SESPLAN also have the benefit of our provision of ITS facilities.

In Autumn 2011 SEStran took on responsibility for the management of One Ticket, the integrated multi operator public transport ticket for East central Scotland. SEStran provides management services, administration support including office, supplies and IT, and communications services.

This has resulted in an ongoing saving to SEStran of £94,000, through a recharge to One Ticket and SESPLAN and while the latter is a cost to SESPLAN, it represents an efficient arrangement for them in that the alternative would be lease payments to a third party for office accommodation and employment of staff for administration.

#### **Office re-location**

SEStran moved to different offices in April 2011. By a combination of a reduction in floor area and a lower rate per square metre an annual saving for rent, rates and services of £30,000 has been achieved when compared to the previous office accommodation.

#### Legal, Financial and HR Services

SEStran has three service level agreements covering legal, financial and HR services. The services provided are outlined below.

#### Legal Services

Legal services are provided by Fife Council. Services include legal advice, contractual advice and provision of clerking for the Board and the

Performance and Audit Committee. The quality of support is excellent and rates are considerably lower than comparative rates in the private sector. The cost of this service in 2012/13 was £22,000

#### **Financial Services**

Financial services are provided by the City of Edinburgh Council. Services covered include invoice and payment processing, financial ledger, regular reporting to the SEStran Board, internal audit, liaising with external audit, budget preparation and control, pension fund management, accountancy and support for EU projects and investment management. The quality of support is excellent and again rates are considerably lower than in the private sector. The cost of this service in 2012/13 was £23,000

## **HR Services**

HR services are provided by Falkirk Council. This includes drafting and review of HR policies and procedures, monitoring any changes in legislation, support in dealing with staff matters and reporting to the SEStran Board. Day to day routine HR matters are managed directly by SEStran staff. The cost of this service in 2012/13 was £262

#### Routewise Data Base

SEStran provides a central data base (Routewise) of public transport bus registrations that links directly to the Scottish Travelline data base to provide travel planning information to the travelling public. The eight local authorities in the SEStran partnership and, in addition Stirling Council all have access to this data base. While this does not provide a direct saving to SEStran, the nine authorities who have access to the data base save £45,000 a year through shared licences and hosting.

#### Tripshare SEStran

• SEStran provides a central data base for car sharing throughout the region under contract with Liftshare Ltd. Each of the eight partner authorities has access to the data base and have branded their own Tripshare with their own authority brands (e.g. Tripshare Edinburgh). SEStran provides the licence and hosting costs, regional marketing, monitoring reports and technical support to the authorities. By contracting on a regional basis there are significant savings compared to each of the authorities contracting individually (£8,136 a year i.e. 25%) in addition to the benefits to the customer of being able to access a larger data base for potential matching of trips. Through SEStran's initiative, Tripshare has now been extended to include Health Boards, Universities and private sector companies at no cost to SEStran. This initiative since its inception has saved **31,039,812** miles on the regional road

network reducing CO2 emissions by **10,220 tonnes (since 2009)** at the current membership of **8006**.

#### Accessibility Modelling

SEStran has been using Accession for over four years now, operating mainly through its term consultants MVA. The SEStran Accession model gives a graphic presentation of the accessibility of specific locations to other locations, including areas of employment, healthcare, education, retail and leisure, by various modes.

One of the uses of Accession by SEStran, has been the assessment of various development locations identified in the formulation of the SESplan Strategic Development Plan, to test their relative accessibility to various facilities. SEStran has its own model which has been upgraded to reflect, with greater accuracy, travel times in the area and can be operated in the SEStran offices or by MVA.

Two other RTPs now access accession software through the SEStran contract with MVA with the benefit of reduced fees as a result of the larger volume of work, single licence fee for all three RTPs and regular updates for all. In addition the other two RTPs have saved the cost of procurement by using the SEStran contract.

#### **Scotland Europa**

SEStran has been a member of Scotland Europa for the last two years and this has proven to be useful in identifying possible sources of EU funding to assist with implementation of the RTS. Two other RTPs have now joined Scotland Europa and SEStran has negotiated a reduced fee on behalf of all three organisations resulting in a saving of £1,000 for SEStran.

#### SEStran Regional Transport Model

During 2009/10 and 2010/11 SEStran developed a regional multi modal land use transport model for the SEStran area. This was developed jointly with Transport Scotland and provides the facility for detailed regional transport analysis for the region. The model is now jointly managed with Transport Scotland and a range of organisations from private sector developers to local authorities have made use of the model for their own purposes. SEStran has made extensive use of the model for analysis of the implications of land use allocations in the Strategic Development Plan for the SESPLAN area.

#### **Parking Initiatives**

SEStran has carried out a number of studies on parking in partnership with the eight authorities in the SEStran area and provided the results to the partner authorities. The central provision of these services has saved the partner authorities significant costs should they have carried out the work individually. The work has been carried out using the SEStran framework contracts thereby saving further on procurement costs. The parking related work is:-

- Parking standards for new development
- The viability of decriminalised parking outwith Edinburgh
- Development of a park and ride strategy for the region

During 2011/12 SEStran developed a web site which provides information on park and ride throughout the region and encourages mode shift to public transport.

#### Sustainable Development

SEStran has carried out a number of studies on sustainable development in partnership with the eight authorities in the SEStran area and provided the results to the partner authorities. The central provision of these services has saved the partner authorities significant costs should they have carried out the work individually. The work has been carried out using the SEStran framework contracts thereby saving further on procurement costs. The recent sustainable development related work is:-

- Urban cycle networks study with funding for implementation subject to match funding.
- Sustainable freight Distribution
- Grants for sustainable transport projects subject to match funding

#### Buses

SEStran has carried out a number of studies related to buses in partnership with the eight authorities in the SEStran area and provided the results to the partner authorities. The central provision of these services has saved the partner authorities significant costs should they have carried out the work individually. The work has been carried out using the SEStran framework contracts thereby saving further on procurement costs. The recent buses related work is:-

- Provision of a regional bus services map
- Input to Competition Commission review of bus industry

#### **Procurement Activity**

SEStran is currently assisting Kent County Council in the procurement of a passenger ferry across the Thames.

#### Framework Contracts

SEStran currently has three framework contracts with transport consultants as follows:-

- 1. Strategic Transport Planning MVA
- 2. Transport Services Scott Wilson
- 3. Sustainable Travel Colin Buchannan

The use of these frameworks has significantly reduced the cost of procurement of services both to SEStran and to the private sector consultants. In addition, the frameworks have been made available to partner local authorities within the SEStran area and currently both Midlothian and East Lothian Councils are using the frameworks to progress their own projects.

## **Real Time Passenger Information**

SEStran is the delivery body for implementation of real time passenger information for bus passengers throughout the region. The project builds on the successful scheme implemented in Edinburgh and the two systems will be compatible providing real time information for the three main operators within and beyond the city. In addition smaller operators and cross boundary services to the SWESTRANS area are included in the contract. The contractor has been appointed through EU procurement procedures and the advisory consultant was appointed through the DTI framework thereby reducing procurement costs. The project will provide real time information for Fife, East Lothian, West Lothian, Scottish Borders and services to SWESTRANS in addition to the information currently provided in Edinburgh and Midlothian. The total project value is £3.3m of which £1.3m is funded from ERDF funding. The ERDF funding represents a major saving on the cost of the project to the Scottish public purse.

## iTransfer

Project to examine the case for cross Forth passenger ferry services with 50% funding from the EU Interreg fund. The total SEStran budget for the project is €550,000 with €225,000 funding from the EU. It is a cross border project linking Fife and Edinburgh and it is also a partnership with other European partners. The revised project now includes improving facilities at North Berwick harbour in partnership with East Lothian Council resulting in savings in their costs. The funding to SEStran from the EU represents a saving over what would otherwise be the cost of the project and contributes to the SEStran core budget for staff and overhead costs.

## Lo-Pinod

Project to explore the possibility of sustainable freight transport using short sea shipping. The total SEStran budget for the project is €556,000 of which €278,000 is funded from the EU Interreg fund. It is a partnership with other European partners

and a collaboration with Napier TRI. The funding to SEStran from the EU represents a saving over what would otherwise be the cost of the project and contributes to the SEStran core budget for staff and overhead costs.

## **Connecting food ports**

Examination of food product distribution throughout the region and linking to UK and Europe. The project is 50% EU funded through the Interreg fund and is a partnership with European partners and a collaboration with Napier TRI and Nestrans. The project will investigate the potential to shift food freight onto more sustainable modes with business development opportunities with our European partners in this project. The total SEStran budget is €331k with €166k funding from Europe. The 50% funding to SEStran from the EU represents a saving over what would otherwise be the cost of the project and contributes to the SEStran core budget for staff and overhead costs.

#### Weastflows

Examination of East/West freight flows through north west Europe with a view to promotion of more sustainable freight transport. The project is 50% EU funded through the Interreg fund and is a partnership with other European partners. The total SEStran budget is €196k with €98k funding from Europe. The 50% funding to SEStran from the EU represents a saving over what would otherwise be the cost of the project and contributes to the SEStran core budget for staff and overhead costs.

## Collaborative use of local contracts

## South Tay park and choose

Scheme development for park and choose site at south end of Tay road bridge. This project is a partnership with and co-funding from TACTRAN, Transport Scotland, Fife and Dundee councils. The partners have agreed the principle of a shared funding package for delivery and there is potential for an ERDF funding bid to be made on completion of the planning process. The work has been carried out so far using the SEStran framework contract saving the partners the cost of procurement.

## A701 Cumulative transport impact

Midlothian council made use of the transport services framework contract to analyse the cumulative impact of developments in the area of the A701 to the south of Edinburgh.

## Falkirk Rail Stations Study

Falkirk Council made use of the SEStran framework contract to examine the case for new and improved stations within the Falkirk Council area.

#### East Coast Rail Study

Borders and East Lothian Councils in partnership with SEStran have used the SEStran framework contract to examine the case for new rail services and stations on the East Coast main line between Edinburgh and Berwick on Tweed.

#### Risk Management

Risk management in provides regular updates of the risks faced by the organisation. The analysis identifies risks by category, (e.g. Corporate, financial, project etc.), Risk description, risk owner and Risk detail. The risk is then analysed in terms of its impact on the organisation and its likelihood of occurring. These are given a numerical value and the combination of these provides a risk Rating. The risk is then analysed to examine what mitigation measures can be implemented to either mitigate the impact of the risk should it occur or the likelihood of occurrence. This leads to a modification of the risk likelihood and impact scores giving a revised rating after mitigation. The mitigation measures and their implementation are then assigned to a risk owner and monitored on a regular basis. In addition a series of controls are identified for each risk that are ongoing procedures inbuilt into the management system that will also mitigate the risk. Finally an assessment is made on the level of residual risk and a decision made as to whether the risk should be accepted, transferred or the activity should be discontinued.

Regular updates on the most significant risks to the authority are provided to the Performance and Audit Committee and to the SEStran Board.