## **FALKIRK COUNCIL**

Subject: CONSULTATION ON BUS REGULATION (SCOTLAND) BILL

Meeting: EXECUTIVE
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Iain Gray MSP is consulting on a Private Members Bill which is "A proposal for a Bill to provide transport authorities with greater powers to set service levels for local bus services, including a power to group profitable routes with non-profitable routes before they are put out to tender with operators". A copy of the consultation document is attached (Appendix 1)
- 1.2 The closing date for responses is 11 October 2013 (the original deadline of 30 August 2013 has been extended).

## 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A draft response to the consultation is attached (Appendix 2).
- 2.2 The draft response has been circulated to group leaders and portfolio holders however no consensus was reached.
- 3 POLICY, PERSONNEL, LEGAL AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
- 3.1 There are no legal, financial or personnel implications arising from the consultation process.

## 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 It is recommended that the Executive consider the consultation document and the draft response.

Director of Development Services

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