

12 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT INITIATIVE (AN111-2005)

The Social Inclusion Partnership Board met on 16th February 2005 and approved an award of £35,000 towards the cost of purchasing and setting up a pilot Community Transport Scheme.

This scheme will be citywide and has been initiated through a partnership consisting of Dundee Accessible Transport Action Group, Dundee Voluntary Action, Kirkton Community Support and Volunteer Point.

Although this is a substantial award it will not cover the full cost of purchase and initial set up costs for the project. Other costs include the first year's insurance, road tax and extra costs required to purchase the vehicle. There will become other costs to cover training and incidental costs.

Planning & Transportation Department have been involved in the Partnership in an advisory capacity, and with ongoing professional support this project could become financially sustainable.

Planning & Transportation have been asked to co-ordinate the purchase of the vehicle and necessary professional support. The Urban Community Transport Initiative (UCTI) monies awarded to Dundee City Council by the Scottish Executive will contribute £10,000 to this project.

The Committee is asked to approve accordingly.