

## **2 HYDROGEN FUEL CELL BUS DEPLOYMENT (AN57-2016)**

In 2013 the Scottish Cities Alliance (SCA) commissioned a study on building a “Hydrogen Economy for Scotland”, which led to the agreement of a strategy to achieve a national vision for hydrogen, through four strands: Hydrogen Fuel cell bus deployment, hydrogen refuelling infrastructure, production of green hydrogen and greening of council fleets. One of the aims of this strategy is to facilitate hydrogen bus deployment in each of the seven cities in Scotland, along with hydrogen refuelling infrastructure in key strategic locations.

National level co ordination is being provided by the SCA and representatives of Aberdeen City Council and Dundee City Council have been collaborating on development of plans for the next wave of fuel cell bus deployment in each city. Both Councils are partners in the Joint Initiative for Hydrogen Vehicles across Europe (JIVE) project, and a funding application for the JIVE project was submitted on 3rd May, 2016 to the EU’s Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking.

In order to set out the working arrangements, the Committee is asked to authorise the Executive Director of City Development and Head of Democratic and Legal Services to develop and sign a Memorandum of Understanding allowing collaboration on the development of Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus deployment in both cities.