

Education and Skills Board Wednesday 8 June 2016

Procurement of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Transport Services

Purpose of the report: Scrutiny of Services

To review the procurement processes home to school transport services for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

Introduction:

- The Education and Skills Board received a report on policy changes for home-to-school transport services for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in March 2016. Throughout the discussion of this paper a number of queries were raised in regard to the procurement processes of these services.
- The Board made a recommendation for Procurement officers to report on the processes for tendering and awarding SEND Transport services in Surrey.

Presentation:

3. Procurement, Finance and Transport officers have worked collaboratively to produce presentations for the Board, explaining the various methods and techniques of SEND Transport procurement in the county. The presentations will also address how employing different methods of transport procurement helps the Council realise its planned savings outlined in the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).

Recommendations:

- 4. For the Board to:
 - 4.1 Note the procurement procedures for SEND Transport services.
 - 4.2 Identify further areas for future scrutiny, if appropriate.

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Sources/background papers:Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (March 2016), Education and Skills Board [Item 8].