



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

**Annual Statement 2012/13**

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## **Statement on Measures to Support Sustainable Economic Growth – 2012/13**

### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 Tactran is the statutory Regional Transport Partnership covering the Angus Council, Dundee City Council, Perth & Kinross Council and Stirling Council areas. The Partnership's principal statutory duties are to :-
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  - support the achievement of statutory Climate Change objectives, as set out in the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 and associated Guidance.
- 1.2 The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 requires listed public bodies to publish, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year, a statement on the steps they have taken to promote and increase sustainable economic growth through the exercise of their functions. Regional Transport Partnerships (RTPs) are listed bodies within the Act.
- 1.3 This statement on Measures to Support Sustainable Economic Growth summarises the key areas of relevant Tactran activity during financial year 2012/13. It should be read in conjunction with the separate statement on Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economy, and the financial information that is also required to be published under the Act.
- 1.4 All of this information can be viewed on, or downloaded free of charge from, the Partnership's [website](#).

### **Regional Transport Strategy**

- 1.5 The Tactran Regional Transport Strategy 2008 – 2023, approved by Ministers in June 2008, supports Scottish Government's central purpose to promote sustainable economic growth. The Strategy has at its heart 3 key strategic themes, which are to :-
- deliver economic prosperity;
  - connect communities and be socially inclusive; and
  - promote environmental sustainability, health and wellbeing.
- 1.6 Our 16 RTS Objectives have been mapped against the Scottish Government's Strategic Objectives and National Outcomes (see Appendix C of RTS). This demonstrates close alignment of the RTS with Scottish Government's strategic aims and priorities. The RTS and Outcome mapping can be viewed on our [website](#).

## **Community Planning**

- 1.7 The Partnership is a formal signatory to and is committed to supporting the delivery of the 4 Single Outcome Agreements (SOAs) covering the Angus, Dundee City, Perth & Kinross and Stirling Community Planning Partnership areas. Since 2008/09 our RTS policies and Delivery Plan actions have been progressively aligned to support SOA priorities and related SOA Action Plans, with a view to ensuring that the Partnership's own activity and delivery priorities contribute to defined National and Local Outcomes, including those relating to sustainable economic growth.
- 1.8 During 2013/14 new SOAs will be developed. The Partnership will support the development of refreshed SOAs and will review its own RTS and Delivery Plan priorities during 2013/14 to ensure continuing alignment with the emerging Action Plans for the new SOAs.

## **Development Planning**

- 1.9 The Government's designation of RTPs as Key Agencies in the Development Planning process reflects the importance of ensuring that strategic transportation and land use policy and planning are fully aligned and integrated in a manner that supports sustainable economic growth.
- 1.10 The Tactran RTS promotes the principle that new development should be directed to the most economically and environmentally sustainable locations and supported by the necessary transport systems and infrastructure, and that existing developments should adopt more sustainable approaches to meeting transport demands associated with staff, customers and goods, including through creation, implementation and monitoring of effective Active Travel Plans. The Tactran Travel Plan Officer and our various Travel Plan "toolkits" are available to support public and private sector stakeholders in this.

## **Climate Change**

- 1.11 RTPs are amongst the designated public bodies which have a statutory responsibility to contribute to the delivery of emissions reduction targets and generally act in a way that supports national climate change mitigation and adaptation programmes and frameworks.
- 1.12 During 2012/13 the Partnership employed the Atkins consultancy to undertake a Transport Carbon Assessment for the Tactran and TAYplan regions, with a view to identifying possible approaches to setting targets and mitigating transport sector emissions regionally and within each local authority area which forms the Tactran and TAYplan regions. This work will be developed in 2013/14 to assist in informing the Partnership's own and also partner Councils', Development Planning Authorities' and Community Planning Partnerships' proposals and actions in relation to statutory Climate Change Act public sector duties.

## **2 Measures to Support Sustainable Economic Growth**

- 2.1 The RTS fully recognises the key role that efficient, integrated and environmentally sustainable transport networks and infrastructure play in supporting an economically vibrant, environmentally responsible and inclusive society. The strategic aims and actions set out in our RTS, coupled with development of the delivery proposals and priorities in the RTS Delivery Plan, are designed to support and promote sustainable economic growth locally, regionally and nationally.
- 2.2 The RTS Delivery Plan sets out the Partnership's proposals for successful implementation and realisation of the RTS Vision and Objectives over the period to 2023. The Delivery Plan is a framework for determining priorities for improving transport infrastructure, services and facilities in consultation with our partner Councils, Transport Scotland and other agencies.
- 2.3 Specific measures which the Partnership has progressed and/or implemented through its 2012/13 Revenue and Capital Programmes, and through its activity generally in fulfilment of its statutory role and duties during 2012/13, are summarised below. Further detailed information on projects, initiatives and the Partnership's activity generally can be obtained by visiting our [website](#).

### **Integrating Strategic Transportation and Land Use Planning**

- 2.4 In line with its statutory Key Agency role in development planning, Tactran contributed to and commented formally during 2012/13 on the following :-
- Angus Local Development Plan Main Issues Report
  - Dundee Proposed Local Development Plan
  - Perth & Kinross Supplementary Guidance on Developer Contributions for Transport Infrastructure
  - Stirling Proposed Local Development Plan
  - Fife Local Development Plan Main Issues Report
  - Aberdeen City and Shire Proposed Strategic Development Plan
- 2.5 Officers continued to engage with the TAYplan Strategic Development Planning authority on development of the approved TAYplan Action Programme. The Partnership contributed financially and through officer input to support research aimed at informing the next iteration of the SDP. Officers also contributed to development of Local Development Plans covering the Cairngorms National Park and the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park.
- 2.6 In addition the Partnership responded to initial consultations by Scottish Government on a refresh of Scottish Planning Policy (SPP) and the development of the National Planning Framework 3 (NPF3). These will be the subject of further consultations during 2013.
- 2.7 In responding to the call for candidate National Developments for NPF3, the Partnership identified the following key Strategic Transport Projects Review (STPR) proposals, which it considers should be Scottish Government priorities in terms of delivering the necessary transport infrastructure to support sustainable economic growth in the Tayside and Central Scotland region :-
- improving the A90 (T) through or around Dundee;
  - improving A9 (T) from Dunblane to Inverness and junction improvements from Keir roundabout to Perth;

- implementing strategic Park & Ride/Choose proposals around Dundee and at Bannockburn, Stirling;
- extending electrification of the Scottish rail network northwards from Glasgow and Edinburgh through Stirling, Perth and Dundee to Inverness and Aberdeen;
- improving rail services between Aberdeen and the Central Belt;
- completion of proposed Highland Main Line rail improvements; and
- Inverkeithing to Halbeath rail line.

2.8 The Partnership also proposed inclusion of :-

- Dundee Waterfront regeneration project and associated key
- transport/connectivity improvements of upgrading Dundee Rail Station;
- STPR Park & Ride proposals; and development of regional air facilities at Dundee Airport;
- improved road and intermodal connectivity at the Ports of Dundee and Montrose;
- Perth City transport improvements including A9/A94 link road and A9/A85 junction improvements;
- early development of High Speed Rail between Scotland and the rest of the UK.

2.9 Tactran will continue to engage proactively in the various Development Planning processes, and will comment formally on the relevant Main Issues Reports, Proposed Plans and Action Programmes as these come forward.

2.10 It is our intention to align the first statutory review and refresh of the RTS with the second iteration of the TAYplan SDP and following finalisation of the first tranche of LDPs covering partner Council areas, most probably commencing during 2014/15.

### **RTS Project Development and Delivery**

2.11 The priorities and proposals which are required to deliver the RTS Vision and Objectives are set out in the Strategy; its associated sub-Strategies for Walking & Cycling; Buses; Park & Ride; Travel Information; Health & Transport Framework; Freight Quality Partnership Action Plan; and in the RTS Delivery Plan.

2.12 Projects and initiatives progressed and/or implemented through our 2012/13 Revenue and Capital Programmes are highlighted below.

#### Strategic Connectivity

2.13 The Tactran region is a vitally important national strategic corridor. Uniquely, the region includes 3 of Scotland's 7 cities, Dundee, Perth and Stirling, whilst the region's road and rail networks provide connections to, from and between these key strategic nodes and Scotland's other 4 cities.

2.14 Supporting and developing the efficiency and contribution of these strategic road and rail connections is crucial to ensuring that Scotland's 7 cities are well connected and remain vibrant contributors to local, regional and national economic growth and prosperity.

2.15 Tactran liaises on an ongoing basis with Transport Scotland, partner Councils, adjoining RTPs, the rail industry and a wide range of other stakeholders on the development of the strategic transport network through development of our RTS priorities and also those STPR proposals which seek to enhance the region's strategic road, rail and air connectivity.

- 2.16 During 2012/13 the Partnership provided a contribution of £5,000 towards a multi-agency marketing campaign promoting Dundee Airport and associated air connections.

#### Road Connectivity

- 2.17 Through the 2012/13 Tactran Capital Programme the Partnership and Perth & Kinross Council funded ongoing design feasibility work on the proposed **A94 – A9 Cross Tay Link Road (CTLR)** and remodelling of the **A9/A85 Junction**. These projects will improve strategic connectivity within the region and assist in realising the economic growth potential of Perth City through addressing growing traffic congestion and air quality management issues within the City.
- 2.18 A preferred corridor for the CTLR has now been identified and work is progressing on assessment of the detailed optimum alignment. This will include ensuring integration with Transport Scotland's ongoing work and proposals for the A9 corridor. The CTLR and an associated package of walking, cycling and public transport enhancements is a key priority in supporting and accommodating the economic growth potential of Perth City and, as outlined in section 2.8 above, the Partnership has proposed that the Perth City Transport Strategy should be included as a candidate National Development in the NPF3, supporting Perth & Kinross Council's own position on this.
- 2.19 In partnership with Dundee City Council, Perth & Kinross Council, SEStran, Fife Council and Transport Scotland, work continued on developing **Strategic Park & Ride/Choose** proposals set out in the STPR and the Regional Park & Ride Strategy. Preferred sites have been identified for facilities at Dundee West, situated close to Dundee Airport off A85/Riverside Avenue at Wright Avenue, and at Tay South on A92(T)/B946 immediately south of the Tay Bridge. Work on detailed design and planning continued with the aim of having both sites operational ahead of the opening of the V&A@Dundee in 2015 and supporting the wider Dundee Waterfront economic regeneration project. A pre-planning public consultation for the Dundee West site was held in autumn 2012. It is the intention to submit a full Planning Application for this facility in early 2013/14. Work continued on design development and site acquisition for a proposed Park & Ride/Choose facility at East Perth, adjacent to the A90 (T).
- 2.20 The 2012/13 Capital Programme contributed funding support for the development of the National Journey Time (NJT) system, to enable to dissemination of traffic and travel information through the national network of variable message signs (VMS) on the key A90/A85 approach to Dundee. These measures support efficient movement of people and goods on the city's transport network.
- 2.21 Studies into the potential for extending availability of Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) into Perth & Kinross, coupled with review of the Perth City UTMC system and a review of Perth public transport interchanges were completed. Work on developing RTPI applications will be aligned with roll out of Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) systems by bus operators, principally the Stagecoach Group, whilst delivery of UTMC enhancement proposals are being taken forward with funding delivered through the Scottish Government's Air Quality Grant scheme.

## Rail Connectivity

- 2.22 The Partnership's **Tay Estuary Rail Strategy (TERS)** sets out a comprehensive package of proposals for phased enhancements to regional and local rail services and infrastructure by complementing planned STPR improvements to rail connectivity between the north and north east of Scotland and the Central Belt. The TERS study (2009) demonstrated a positive Business Case for introducing incremental service enhancements and additional calls at local stations between Arbroath – Dundee – Perth – Stirling and Glasgow, with significant potential for modal shift in favour of rail for suburban travel around Dundee and Perth, and for longer distance travel to/from and within the Central Belt. The study also developed proposals for enhancing facilities at and the role of Gleneagles Station and for relocating Invergowrie Station.
- 2.23 In December 2011 a significant increase in the level of rail services stopping at **Broughty Ferry station** in Dundee City was introduced for an initial 12 month period, as a result of a negotiated agreement between Tactran and ScotRail. Tactran and ScotRail jointly promoted these new facilities in the area and strong passenger growth and usage during 2012/13 has ensured the continuation and potential for further development of these services in the longer term. Building on the 2011 timetable enhancements further improvements to services at **Broughty Ferry, Invergowrie and Carnoustie** from December 2012 were secured through negotiation with ScotRail and in consultation with Transport Scotland. Discussions are continuing with the rail industry on the potential for implementing further local service improvements with the December 2013 timetable, including at Monifieth, and with a view to embedding the longer term TERS aspirations within the new ScotRail franchise beyond spring 2015.
- 2.24 Tactran previously provided Revenue Grant funding to develop detailed design for a new road access and increased car parking at **Gleneagles Station**. During 2012/13 work continued in partnership with Perth & Kinross Council, Transport Scotland, ScotRail and Network Rail, and in liaison with Event Scotland, with a view to implementing TERS proposals for improved road access, extended car parking, disabled access, customer information and other passenger facilities enhancements ahead of the Ryder Cup event at Gleneagles in September 2014. A provision totalling £2.7 million has been made in the Tactran and Perth & Kinross Council Capital Programmes to support delivery of this key RTS Delivery Plan project.
- 2.25 Through the Partnership's 2012/13 RTS Revenue Programme work has been undertaken on investigating the business case for proposed relocation of Invergowrie Station to a new location at Dundee West adjacent to Riverside Avenue. The TERS study indicated that this offers the potential to generate significant growth in rail patronage associated with serving existing and proposed developments on the western edge of Dundee, including the existing business and science parks at Riverside Avenue and Ninewells Hospital. The findings of this work will be considered further with the rail industry, Transport Scotland and Development Planning Authorities during 2013/14.
- 2.26 Through our work on TERS and by contributing to Network Rail and ScotRail working groups on station facilities, access, and timetabling, Tactran seeks to ensure that rail connectivity and facilities within the region meet current and future needs.
- 2.27 Tactran works jointly with the other RTPs on making the case for early extension of the proposed UK **High Speed Rail** network to Scotland and ensuring that the potential economic benefits from improved cross-border rail connectivity and journey times extend to businesses and communities located within the region.

## Freight Connectivity

- 2.28 In partnership with Dundee City Council a total of £2.3 million in Capital funding was allocated across Financial Years 2010/11 – 2012/13 to improve the constrained road access to the **Port of Dundee** at Stannergate Bridge. Work on this project, which supports the emerging renewables opportunities potential identified at Dundee in the National Renewables Investment Plan (NRIP), was completed during 2012/13.
- 2.29 The **Regional Freight Quality Partnership** has undertaken previous studies into Lorry Parking and Lorry Routeing. During 2012/13 this work was developed to create a web-based regional lorry routeing map on the Partnership's multi-modal travel information site [www.tactranconnect.com](http://www.tactranconnect.com), to inform and encourage more appropriate and efficient routeing of HGVs using the region's road network and when accessing key freight generators and destinations, including industrial estates, Ports etc. This database will be developed for input to websites, freight maps and SatNav systems to support and encourage more appropriate and efficient routeing of freight vehicles on the region's road network generally.
- 2.30 In Partnership with Perth & Kinross Council, proposals for developing a Freight Consolidation Centre (FCC) for Perth, which is aimed at addressing local air quality issues through more efficient and environmentally friendly approaches to movement of freight, were progressed. A bid for EU InterReg IVB funding to support a pilot project, as part of the Last Mile Logistics (LaMiLo) project, which involves 12 other European partners, was successful in securing up to 500,000 Euros to enable a pilot FCC to be implemented. Tactran has committed match funding totalling £102,500 across financial years 2012/13 – 2014/15 and is also providing officer support for development, implementation and monitoring of the pilot project, working in partnership with Perth & Kinross Council's Air Quality officers, with further match funding being delivered through Scottish Government Air Quality Grant.

## Sustainable Travel, Travel Planning and Behavioural Change

- 2.31 Tactran liaises with partner Councils, Health Boards, Universities and other public sector bodies on the promotion and development of Travel Planning and behavioural change in favour of more sustainable modes of transport through its Sustainable Travel Liaison Group. The Tactran Travel Plan Officer works with and supports public bodies and private sector organisations in the development of Travel Plans, which aim to improve efficient and sustainable access for workplace and other travel demands.
- 2.32 Tactran funds and maintains the [www.tactranliftshare.com](http://www.tactranliftshare.com) lift-sharing website. Working in partnership with consultants TPI and the Shona Drummond Consultancy we have developed the **Travel Know How** travel plan implementer toolkit, which is designed to support small and large public and private sector organisations in the development, ongoing implementation and monitoring of workplace and organisational Travel Plans. Roll out of the toolkit continued during 2012/13, with over 50 public and private sector employers signed up for the support offered.
- 2.33 During 2012/13 Revenue funding totalling £61,000 was allocated to supporting a number of walking and cycling initiatives and projects, in partnership with Cycling Scotland, Sustrans, Councils, the Countryside Trust and local community groups.
- 2.34 Through our **Sustainable Travel Grant Scheme** matched grant funding continued to support implementation of sustainable transport measures and facilities within partner Councils, Health Boards, Universities and other public sector and not for profit organisations.

### Travel Information

- 2.35 Accessible and reliable travel information is a key part of an economically supportive and environmentally efficient transportation system. During 2012/13 we maintained and developed the [www.tactranconnect.com](http://www.tactranconnect.com) multi-modal travel information web portal. This includes personalised journey planning facilities linked to the Traveline Scotland system, information on walk, cycle, bus, rail, car, air and was developed to include the lorry route map information referred to in section 2.26 above. The Partnership also provided a financial contribution, along with other RTPs, to support Traveline Scotland's development of a mobile travel application for people with visual impairment.

### Transport and Health

- 2.36 Working with NHS Tayside, NHS Forth Valley and the Scottish Ambulance Service the Partnership has developed the **Tayside & Central Scotland Health & Transport Framework**. This establishes a framework for addressing the key relationships between transport and health, namely :-
- promoting active travel as a means of improving personal health and wellbeing;
  - reducing the impacts of transport on health – for example air quality;
  - improving access to healthcare; and
  - encouraging more sustainable NHS employee/workplace travel.
- 2.37 The Framework was formally approved by the Partnership and endorsed by the Boards of NHS Forth Valley and NHS Tayside in summer 2011, and thereafter endorsed by the Community Planning Partnerships within the region. During 2012/13 work has continued on developing locally and regionally relevant Health & Transport Action plans under the auspices of individual Community Planning Partnerships, with Tactran funding consultancy support for Action Plan development.

## **Statement of Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economy – 2012/13**

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### **2. Progress and Activity During 2012/13**

- 2.1 During the year a number of operational and/or cost efficiency initiatives were implemented, developed or maintained.

#### **Public Sector Efficiency**

- 2.2 Efficiency savings equivalent to 2.58% of the Partnership's approved 2012/13 Core Revenue Budget of £417,000 for the year were achieved. Since 2008/09 the Partnership has achieved cumulative Core Budget efficiency savings of approximately 11% compared with the 2% per annum target set by Scottish Government for the public sector.
- 2.3 The Partnership will continue to seek further efficiencies wherever possible. However, as a small strategic body, the scope for achieving this year on year is becoming increasingly limited.

### General Administration

- 2.4 In 2011 the Partnership agreed to hold all of its meetings in Perth instead of rotating Board meetings around the administrative centres in our 4 partner Council areas. This has generated recurring travel and other administrative cost savings equivalent to approximately £1,500 per annum.

### Staffing and Related Resources

- 2.5 A continued freeze on appointment to vacancies for a sixth year has delivered recurring savings equivalent to approximately £41,000 per annum during the period 2007/08 – 2012/13. Further savings of £3,987 accrued in year from a managed return to full-time working hours for a member of staff returning from maternity leave.

### Property

- 2.6 The Partnership's office accommodation is the subject of a private lease. Negotiation of a further 3-year fixed price rental for the period 2012/13 – 2014/15 has maintained and extended recurring savings equivalent to approximately £3,000 per annum.
- 2.7 In year savings of £1,677, equivalent to 6.6% of the approved Property budget, were achieved through proactive management of energy and property maintenance costs.

### Supplies and Services

- 2.8 Proactive management of various supplies & services, communications costs, and related Board expenses achieved savings of £2,233, equivalent to 12% of the overall Supplies & Services budget.

### Third Party Payments

- 2.9 As a result of a review and renegotiation of fees in partnership with Audit Scotland, savings of £2,813, equivalent to 24.9% of the External Audit fees budget, accrued.

### Efficiency Savings Summary

- 2.10 The combined effect of in year efficiencies across all Core Budget headings resulted in savings of £10,769, which is equivalent to 2.58% against the approved 2012/13 Budget of £417,000 for Core operating costs.
- 2.11 The Partnership agreed to vire £5,000 of this amount to supplement the 2012/13 RTS Programme budget for delivery of the RTS.

## **Shared Services**

### Administrative Support

- 2.12 Tactran receives Secretariat, Financial and Legal support services from Perth & Kinross Council. These services are provided to a high standard at rates which are considerably more competitive than could be achieved through external procurement of these statutorily necessary support services.
- 2.13 During 2011/12 a review of the division of administrative responsibilities undertaken by Tactran's own staff and staff of Perth & Kinross Council resulted in a recurring 10% cost saving/annum compared with 2010/11.

### Travel Planning

- 2.14 The Partnership's Travel Plan Officer is available to partner Councils, Health Boards and other public and private sector agencies and organisations, offering specialist expertise, advice and support in the development of Travel Plans and sustainable travel policies and practices. The Travel Know How web-based Travel Plan implementer toolkit, developed by Tactran in partnership with consultants, is available to public and private sector organisations within the region to support their own development and ongoing implementation of workplace Travel Plans. During 2012/13 over 50 public and private sector bodies, including all partner Councils, Health Boards and a number of major private sector employers, were registered as members of Travel Know How.
- 2.15 The [www.tactranliftshare.com](http://www.tactranliftshare.com) website provides a regional trip-sharing facility for private individuals and public/private sector organisations. It also functions as a regional "umbrella" facility for localised liftshare schemes and trip-matching for Councils and Health Boards.

### Accessibility Planning

- 2.16 Tactran funds a centralised regional resource for Accessibility Planning, enabling Councils, Development Planning Authorities, Health Boards, Community Planning Partnerships and other bodies to make use of this facility to inform their own strategic plans.

### Travel Information

- 2.17 The [www.tactranconnect.com](http://www.tactranconnect.com) multi-modal travel information web portal provides comprehensive regional travel information on all transport modes, coupled with mode-specific journey planning features linked with Traveline Scotland, Council and other transport provider websites. This unique travel information facility is freely available to individuals and public/private sector organisations, and has been incorporated as a comprehensive travel information source within partner Council and other organisations websites.

### European Funding and Initiatives

- 2.18 Tactran has continued to subscribe to joint membership of Scotland Europa with SEStran and Hitrans, with a view to identifying potential sources of European funding to assist with implementation of the RTS. Joint membership with the other RTPs realises savings compared with individual membership rates.
- 2.19 During 2012/13 the Partnership and Perth & Kinross Council worked to jointly to secure EU Interreg IVB funding of up to 500,000 Euros which is available across financial years 2012/13 – 2014/15 to support the implementation of a pilot Freight Consolidation Centre (FCC) facility as part of the Last Mile Logistics (LaMiLo) project. This project is designed to reduce congestion, improve efficiency in freight and logistics distribution, and contribute to improving air quality in Perth City Centre. The Partnership has agreed to provide partner match funding totalling £102,500 across financial years 2012/13 – 2/14/15.
- 2.20 Tactran's Strategy Manager is providing freight and wider strategic transportation expertise and input to support Dundee City Council's participation in the ENergy efficiency in City LOGistics and Services (ENCLOSE) project, which aims to assess the applicability and benefits of energy-efficient and sustainable urban logistics measures in small and medium sized European towns and cities.

### Strategic Transportation Planning and Liaison

- 2.21 Tactran represents and liaises on behalf of its partner Councils with Transport Scotland, Department for Transport, the rail industry, Confederation of Passenger Transport, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association, Cycling Scotland and other relevant bodies on matters of national and regional policy and strategic transportation and connectivity interest.
- 2.22 The Regional Freight Quality Partnership, Regional Buses Forum and Regional Rail Forum provide a locus for engagement between the Partnership, its constituent Councils and the relevant sectorial transport provider and user interests.
- 2.23 The Sustainable Transport Liaison Group provides a forum for engagement with partner Councils, Health Boards, higher education establishments, Cycling Scotland, Sustrans and other relevant agencies on the development of Active Travel strategies and initiatives, including joint and partner funding of schemes and other activity.

### **Procurement**

- 2.24 Supplies, services and contracts to provide support for RTS project development and delivery and other Partnership activity are submitted to competitive tender in accordance with the Partnership's Financial Regulations.
- 2.25 In delivering specific project initiatives use is made of partner Councils' Term or Framework consultants in appropriate cases, resulting in work being undertaken at competitive rates secured through partner Councils' tendered framework agreements.

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June 2013

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**Financial Information Statement**  
**Period covering 1 April 2012 - 31 March 2013**

**1 Public Relations Statement**

Category	Supplier	External Costs - Invoiced	Total
Advertising - Liftshare	Central FM Ltd	3,750.00	3,750.00
	JCDecaux Ltd	700.00	4,800.00
	Cestrian Ltd	94.00	424.00
	Liftshare.com Ltd	160.00	160.00
Advertising - Tactranconnect	CBS Outdoor Ltd	1,429.00	4,829.00
	Facebook	67.47	67.47
	Steer Davies Gleave	700.00	700.00
Promotional - Liftshare	Dundee City Council	494.00	4,438.00
	Lambda Films Ltd	500.00	500.00
Promotional - Tay Estuary Rail Study	Dundee City Council	4,325.12	5,055.12
Promotional - Travelknowhow	Shona Drummond Marketing	3,080.00	3,080.00
Promotional - Tactran	Perth & Kinross Sports Council	250.00	250.00
Publications & Printing	Stirling Print & Design	687.50	687.50
			<b>28,741.09</b>

**2 Overseas Travel**

Nil Return

**3 Hospitality & Entertainment**

Nil Return

**4 External Consultancy**

Supplier	Project/Service	Total	Supplier Total
Atkins Ltd	Climate Change Study	25,400.00	25,400.00
Forth Valley GIS Ltd	Tactranconnect Freight Maps	875.00	875.00
JMP Consultants Ltd	Health & Transport Framework	27,000.00	27,000.00
Liftshare Ltd.com	Liftshare Website		6,380.14
MVA Consultancy Ltd	Accession Update		4,535.00
PMA Data Collection Ltd	Tay Estuary Rail Study		2,532.96
Shona Drummond Marketing	Travelknowhow	3,114.00	6,194.00 *
Steer Davies Gleave	Tactranconnect	5,500.00	
Steer Davies Gleave	Tactranconnect Freight Maps	4,500.00	
Steer Davies Gleave	Tay Estuary Rail Study	10,938.00	21,638.00 *
			<b>94,555.10</b>

\* includes supplier figures from Table 1 above

**5 Payments over £25k**

Payee	Reason	Total	Supplier Total
Atkins Ltd	Climate Change Study	25,400.00	25,400.00
JMP Consultants Ltd	Health & Transport Framework	27,000.00	27,000.00
Perth & Kinross Council	Support Services	33,250.00	33,250.00

**6 Members or Employees who received remuneration in excess of £150,000**

Nil Return