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Dear \*

## **CONSULTATION – NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE AN ENHANCED PARTNERSHIP PLAN AND SCHEME FOR BUSES IN THE EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE**

East Riding of Yorkshire Council (“The Council”) wishes to make it known that it intends to make an Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme under s138G of the Transport Act 2000 as amended under s9 of the Local Bus Services Act 2017 to start at the beginning of April 2022. The proposed Plan and Scheme are attached to this letter. The legislation requires that your organisation is consulted on these measures and your input will be gratefully received.

The Enhanced Partnership Plan is derived from the Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) lodged with the Department for Transport in October 2021. The Plan can encompass a number of separate Enhanced Partnership Schemes, but The Council has decided to prepare a single Scheme for the East Riding of Yorkshire.

An Enhanced Partnership Scheme lays out in detail each proposal for improvement to bus services and what is expected of the bus operators and local authority. The Scheme, once signed, is legally binding on operators, The Council and other parties where appropriate.

The development timeline for both the Plan and Scheme was set by the Department for Transport and the commencement date of April 2022 is a date The Council must meet. In order to give the statutory notice period between making the Plan and Scheme and its introduction and to go through the democratic process at The Council, this consultation must therefore close on Monday 17 January 2022. Any response would therefore be gratefully received before that date.

Note, however, that even though the Plan and Scheme will come into force in April 2022 both cover a programme of measures to be implemented over a number of years and not all measures contained in the Scheme(s) will occur immediately.

In principle, the Scheme(s) would outline proposals very precisely noting sections of road involved, ticket schemes and precise obligations etc., but this cannot be the case here. Lodging the BSIP included a bid for additional funding from DfT in order to introduce the improvements outlined in the BSIP.

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**Paul Bellotti**  
Director of Communities and Environment

At present, however, we do not know the value of this award nor when such an announcement will be made. Therefore, many of the provisions in The Scheme are shown as 'subject to funding'. Once the level of funding is known, the Executive Board of the Partnership, made up of Council and Bus Operator representatives, will decide on which measures will proceed.

We would welcome your response to the following questions:

1. Do you have any comments about the content of the East Riding of Yorkshire Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme?
2. Do you have any comments on our proposals for consulting users on how well the Plan and Scheme are working?

Many thanks for your attention to this matter and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colin Walker', with a stylized flourish underneath.

Colin Walker  
Transportation Services Group Manager

Enc: The East Riding of Yorkshire Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme