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Environment, Planning and Transport Committee,
National Assembly for Wales,
Cardiff Bay, Cardiff.
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Dear Sirs,

POLICY REVIEW OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT

I refer to the recent consultation document - A policy review of public transport.

I have been party to the preparation of the combined response of the South East Wales Transportation Forum, TIGER and SWIFT, which I support fully. I do not, therefore, propose to submit a detailed response from Cardiff Council.

Nonetheless I do reiterate the concerns about the suggestions of an all-Wales or South-East Wales Passenger Transport Executive. That approach separates public transport decisions from a host of other local decisions. The perceived successes of PTE's elsewhere is the result of massively greater financial resources. Improving the local government consortium and increasing available funding offers the best, most efficient and quickest way to increase the pace of public transport improvements in Wales.

Yours sincerely,



Councillor Christine Priday
Deputy Mayor (Environment)