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Date: 15th September 2020

Dear Chris

Cardiff City Transport Services Limited (“Cardiff Bus” “the Company”) Consent for Viability Financial Support

Thank you for your letter of 11 September outlining the work you have been undertaking with the company to secure its financial future and the ongoing work with the trustees and advisors regarding the pension’s issues.

I acknowledge the position you have achieved in negotiating a potential agreement in principal with the pension fund trustees to take to full council next week. I can confirm that the consent in my letter to you dated 5th June still stands as it is our view that nothing material has changed. Therefore I am content for my letter to be used to provide the viability support proposed pursuant to section 79(8) of the Transport Act 1985.

I would like to reiterate that such consent is subject to you continuing to have confidence that your proposed support will give the company a reasonable prospect of securing a sustainable future. I would also like to reiterate, on behalf of the Welsh Ministers, that it is the Council’s sole responsibility to ensure that the proposed financial support (and business plan implementation) is delivered lawfully and in full compliance with all applicable legislation.

I hope this provides the reassurance required for your council meeting on Thursday.

Yours sincerely

Simon Jones
Director of Economic Infrastructure

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Date 5th June, 2020

Dear Chris

Cardiff City Transport Services Limited (“Cardiff Bus” “the Company”) Request to Provide Viability Financial Support

I refer to your letter of the 20th December 2019 requesting consent from the Welsh Ministers pursuant to section 79(8) of the Transport Act 1985 (“the 1985 Act”) to provide financial support to the Company to address viability.

In accordance with section 79(9) of the Act the Welsh Ministers have considered the business plan that you have submitted for the purposes of improving the Company’s operations and financial viability going forward and on the basis of the proposals put forward therein, have granted the necessary consent for the proposed financial support measures to be implemented.

Please note that such consent is subject to you continuing to have confidence that your proposed support will give the company a reasonable prospect of securing a sustainable future and the completion of any outstanding or updated due diligence that may be required.

I would also remind you on behalf of the Welsh Ministers that it is the Council’s sole responsibility to ensure that the proposed financial support (and business plan implementation) is delivered lawfully and in full compliance with all applicable legislation. The Welsh Ministers have not undertaken their own independent analysis of this in providing the consent referred to herein. Should you have any concerns about compliant implementation then you should seek appropriate professional advice.

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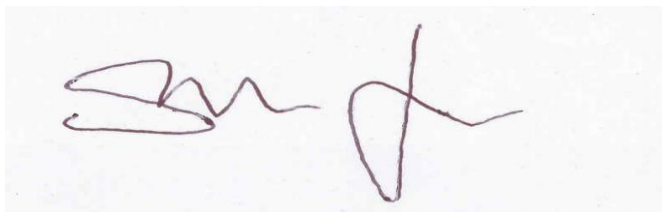


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I would be grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this letter (which supersedes my letter of 29th May concerning the issue of consent under the 1985 Act), by return correspondence.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'SJ', is centered on a light-colored rectangular background.

Simon Jones
Director of Economic Infrastructure