

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1424
QUESTIONS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2012

Scottish Government—

- The Committee would be grateful if you could provide an update on the Short Life Working Group's timetable for publishing its report on healthcare transport across NHSScotland and the accompanying toolkit.
- The Committee is interested to know what progress has been made with the proposed pilot projects in two NHS Board areas around an integrated hub model of provision.

TUESDAY 17 APRIL 2012

Buchan *Dial-a-Community Bus*—

- The petitioner has referred to Buchan *Dial-a-Community Bus* as an example of good practice in the provision of transport for older people in remote and rural areas. The Committee would be grateful for an outline of the approach taken and the service provided in Buchan.
- The Committee is especially interested in services for older people seeking transport to and from doctor's surgeries and hospital appointments. Do any issues arise in relation to family members or carers who would escort an elderly person to such appointments?
- The petitioner's view is that provision of health transport is uncoordinated and fragmented. The Committee would be grateful if you could outline what work DACB undertakes with other health transport providers such as the Patient Transport Service of the Scottish Ambulance Service and local health and care providers.
- Do you have any other comments on the issues raised in the petition?