

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES – POLICY

REVIEW OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The SWIFT Management Group, at its meeting on the 14th September 2000, considered the Policy Review of Public Transport.

SWIFT supports the general stance of the WLGA response, whilst recognising that the structures for delivering public transport need to evolve. There is scope for further discussion with the Assembly on how the present management arrangements for SWIFT can be adapted to our mutual advantage and SWIFT would therefore welcome the opportunity, as part of the review, to discuss how such changes can be made. As part of the ongoing consideration of improving our present management arrangements, we will be addressing the possibility of ‘binding compacts’ as referred to in the WLGA response as a possible way forward.

SWIFT has been very pleased with the support which it has received from the Assembly. This is enabling the implementation of a series of major public transport improvements and SWIFT looks forward to continuing to work closely with the Assembly to deliver its regional public transport strategy.