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Briefing Note

Van Lease 2025

For Finance, Governance & Estates Committee 19 June 2025

Introduction

In September 2021 the Parish Council entered a lease contract with Ford to lease a Ford Transit Connect van. This lease was for a 36-month period, paying an advanced rental payment of 1 month at a cost of **£229.16 plus VAT** and **£229.16 plus VAT** for the following 35 months. At the end of the 36 months the Parish Council decided to extend the Contract for one additional year at a monthly cost of **£235.81 plus VAT**.

Ford has informed us that we are unable to extend the rental again and therefore are required to return this van at the beginning of September 2025 and lease a new Van.

Options

This Briefing note highlights the vehicles available from different suppliers and the costings are approximate at this stage. The information below shows the types of vehicles, costings for 48, 36 and 24 month contracts, upfront costs and the monthly payments for each vehicle.

Ford (present supplier)

1.

All-New Transit Connect
2.0L EcoBlue 240 L2 122PS Auto

Limited 



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- This is the newer version of the van that we are presently leasing apart from being automatic.

All new Transit Connect			
2.0L eco blue 240 L2 Limited 122PS Auto			
Term 48 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£494.07	£494.07	ex. VAT
3	£1,415.46	£471.82	ex. VAT
6	£2,651.76	£441.96	ex. VAT
9	£3,741.03	£415.67	ex. VAT
Term 36 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£524.24	£524.24	ex. VAT
3	£1,482.24	£494.08	ex. VAT
6	£2,729.04	£454.84	ex. VAT
9	£3,792.51	£421.39	ex. VAT
Term 24 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£656.53	£656.53	ex. VAT
3	£602.91	£1,808.73	ex. VAT
6	£3,222.60	£537.10	ex. VAT
9	£4,358.34	£484.26	ex. VAT

2.

All-New Transit Connect

1.5L EcoBoost PHEV 250 L2 150PS Auto

Limited 



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- This is the same model as above but features a PHEV engine, giving greater fuel efficiency.

All new Transit Connect			
1.5L EcoBoost PHEV 250 L2 Limited 150PS Auto			
Term 48 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£622.97	£622.97	ex. VAT
3	£1,784.31	£594.77	ex. VAT
6	£3,341.52	£556.92	ex. VAT
9	£4,712.67	£523.63	ex. VAT
Term 36 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£695.52	£695.52	ex. VAT
3	£1,965.99	£655.33	ex. VAT
6	£3,618.54	£603.09	ex. VAT
9	£5,027.22	£558.58	ex. VAT
Term 24 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£884.91	£884.91	ex. VAT
3	£2,437.32	£812.44	ex. VAT
6	£4,341.30	£723.55	ex. VAT
9	£5,869.80	£652.20	ex. VAT

3.

Transit Courier 1.0L EcoBoost 100PS

Leader 



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- A smaller van to the existing leased Vehicle, this is more affordable but has less space in the rear.

Transit Courier			
1.0L EcoBoost Leader 100PS			
Term 48 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£346.71	£346.71	ex. VAT
3	£993.63	£331.21	ex. VAT
6	£1,862.40	£310.40	ex. VAT
9	£2,628.54	£292.06	ex. VAT
Term 36 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£360.44	£360.44	ex. VAT
3	£1,019.40	£339.80	ex. VAT
6	£1,877.76	£312.96	ex. VAT
9	£2,610.45	£290.05	ex. VAT
Term 24 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£424.68	£424.68	ex. VAT
3	£1,170.39	£390.13	ex. VAT
6	£2,086.26	£347.71	ex. VAT
9	£2,822.40	£313.60	ex. VAT

4.

E-Transit Custom

65kWh 320 L1 HI 136PS RWD Auto

Trend 



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- The only available Electric Van from Ford. If we decide to go with the Electric Vehicle, we will need to consider, where we are charging the vehicle overnight. If this is in the Trinity Road Car park, we would need to consider the new parking charges, as a petrol vehicle could worst case be parked on street or on South Avenue in the Parish Owned section.

E-Transit Custom			
65kWh 320 Trend L1 H1 136PS RWD Auto			
Term 48 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£624.20	£624.20	ex. VAT
3	£1,773.18	£591.06	ex. VAT
6	£3,279.90	£546.65	ex. VAT
9	£4,568.22	£507.58	ex. VAT
Term 36 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£683.10	£683.10	ex. VAT
3	£1,906.50	£635.50	ex. VAT
6	£3,441.78	£573.63	ex. VAT
9	£4,688.37	£520.93	ex. VAT
Term 24 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£875.93	£875.93	ex. VAT
3	£2,360.94	£786.98	ex. VAT
6	£4,067.58	£677.93	ex. VAT
9	£5,313.87	£590.43	ex. VAT

Vans Direct

Vans Direct have provided us with quotes for to Vans in their fleet (see below), they are of a similar size to our present van. They are only able to supply a Electric or Diesel van and no longer supply Petrol vehicles.

1. Citroen Berlingo Van – 1.5 BlueHDi M 100PS Enterprise Plus



Citroen Berlingo Van			
1.5 BlueHDi M 100PS Enterprise Plus			
Term 48 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£341.61	£341.61	ex. VAT
3	£979.92	£326.64	ex. VAT
6	£1,839.00	£306.50	ex. VAT
9	£2,598.30	£288.70	ex. VAT
Term 36 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£366.16	£366.16	ex. VAT
3	£1,036.50	£345.50	ex. VAT
6	£1,911.12	£318.52	ex. VAT
9	£2,659.14	£295.46	ex. VAT
Term 24 months			
	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£440.06	£440.06	ex. VAT
3	£1,213.77	£404.59	ex. VAT
6	£2,165.76	£360.96	ex. VAT
9	£2,932.47	£325.83	ex. VAT

2. Citroen Berlingo Van – e-Berlingo M 52kWh Enterprise Plus Auto



Citroen Berlingo Van			
e-berlingo M 52kWh Enterprise Plus Auto			
Term 48 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£442.88	£442.88	ex. VAT
3	£1,270.17	£423.39	ex. VAT
6	£2,383.02	£397.17	ex. VAT
9	£3,366.00	£374.00	ex. VAT
Term 36 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£506.19	£506.19	ex. VAT
3	£1,432.59	£477.53	ex. VAT
6	£2,641.02	£440.17	ex. VAT
9	£3,674.16	£408.24	ex. VAT
Term 24 months	including maintenance		
Advanced Rental	Upfront cost	Monthly payment	
1	£624.28	£624.28	ex. VAT
3	£1,721.70	£573.90	ex. VAT
6	£3,071.52	£511.92	ex. VAT
9	£4,158.27	£462.03	ex. VAT

All the above vehicles are covered with a maintenance package.

Additional Costings to consider

Diesel Van

Although Vans Direct can provide us with a similar sized van at a slightly lower price, this would mean moving back to Diesel, leading to the purchase of AdBlue when required at a cost of approx. £11 per bottle. Given the mileage the maintenance Officer covers in a year, this cost should be negligible, and it can be purchased at most service stations.

Electric Van

Moving over to an electric Van will require us to charge the van in Trinity Road Car park overnight. This would be at a charge from 76p/kWh to 49p/kWh dependant on the charging method used. There would also be a charge for parking in Trinity Road car park with the proposed new charges, which will be from £336.95 for an annual season ticket.

PHEV Van

The Plug in Hybrid van is ideal for drivers with short daily commutes. It would however require us to charge the vehicle at an available charging point when required, and therefore we would require the same as the electric Van above.

Recommendation

It is our recommendation to remain with a similar sized Van as the maintenance officer doesn't see the need for a larger vehicle. The Committee is asked to confirm which van type i.e. Petrol, PHEV, Diesel or Electric. Which Size Van? i.e. Small or Transit. The Length of the Contract term i.e. 48 months, 36 months or 24 months and to agree to the advanced rental payment amount i.e. 1 month, 3 months, 6 months or 9 months.

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee is asked to AGREE on the Preferred Van type, Size, Contract term and advanced rental payment.
