

Corsham Area Board – 19 October 2010

Chairman's Announcements

Buses to Basil Hill (Corsham) – New Services Funded by Developer Money

With the new development at the MoD at Basil Hill, after lengthy negotiations, the following arrangements have now been agreed and are being formally put in place.

CORSHAM TOWN (service 10)

The current timetable will be enhanced with effect from 1 November to give a regular half-hour frequency all through the day with just two routes but with both serving Basil Hill, which will have a 15 minute service. The existing buses will be replaced with two brand new low floor buses. On Saturdays the service will run hourly using just one bus operating until lunchtime.

RURAL SERVICES

In addition, three dedicated services for MoD employees will begin on 1st December, following routes that have been agreed with the MoD using information about where their staff live. To make best use of resources, these will be operated in conjunction with existing school (coach) contracts.

The three services are:

82 - From Trowbridge

83 - From Bradford on Avon, Holt and Broughton Gifford,

84 – From Melksham, Shaw, Whitley and Gastard.

The MoD is keen to publicise these arrangements in advance of the staff moving in and the Passenger Transport Unit will do their utmost to ensure local residents also get good information in good time to enjoy the full benefit of the enhanced timetable and new easier access buses. The improved town service is likely to be branded.