

Review of bus services in North West Wiltshire

Service 92 (Malmesbury – Chippenham)

Summary of proposed change

An hourly service is maintained between Malmesbury and Chippenham. However, alternate buses will run via either Stanton St Quintin and Hullavington (two hourly) or Kington St Michael (two hourly), allowing service 99 (Kington St Michael – Chippenham) to be withdrawn.

Commentary on current service

Service 92 provides an important strategic link between Malmesbury and Chippenham, and is also the main public transport service for the villages along the route including Corston, Hullavington and Stanton St Quintin. It currently provides a regular hourly service between approx 0730 and 1830 on Mondays to Saturdays.

It is relatively well used, carrying around 60,000 passenger journeys a year. Over half of all passengers (excluding school / college students) travel between the two towns and the rest to / from the villages on route. Excluding school/college students, only 20 – 25 passenger trips a day are made to or from the stops on the diversion via Hullavington and Stanton St Quintin.

Explanation of proposed changes

A regular hourly service will be maintained between Malmesbury and Chippenham in view of its importance as a strategic link, operating at broadly similar times. However, in view of the relatively low use from Hullavington village and Stanton St Quintin, only half of the buses will in future serve these places. The other buses will instead run via Kington St Michael, allowing current service 99 (Kington St Michael to Chippenham) to be withdrawn. This will make the bus network as a whole more sustainable and affordable.

Proposed timetable

The proposed timetable for service 92 is shown overleaf.

The aim of the review of services is to make the bus network more sustainable in the long term, and to provide cost-effective services that meet the needs of existing users at an affordable cost to the council. We believe that the proposed changes meet these objectives, but if you have other suggestions about how this might be achieved we would be pleased to receive them.

Similar information sheets are available for each of the bus services affected by the North West Wiltshire review. A consultation on the proposals is under way and will close on 7 October 2013. Details of other services and of the consultation can be found on the council's website (<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations.htm>) or are available from the Passenger Transport Unit, Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN.

Bus Service 92 - linking Malmesbury, Hullavington, Kington St. Michael and Chippenham

Proposed timetable from April 2014 for consultation

Mondays to Saturdays

Service Number	NS											
	92A	92◆	92B	92	92A	92	92A	92	92A	92▲	92	NS 92
Malmesbury, Cross Hayes	0715	0735	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800
Corston, Radnor Arms	0720	0740	0906	1006	1106	1206	1306	1406	1506	1606	1706	1806
Hullavington, Queens Head	--	0746	0913	1013	--	1213	--	1413	--	1613	1713	R
Stanton St Quintin village	--	0753	0920	1020	--	1220	--	1420	--	1620	1720	R
Buckley Barracks	0727	0757	0923	1023	1113	1223	1313	1423	1513	1623	1723	R
Kington St Michael village	0735	--	0930	--	1120	--	1320	--	1520	--	--	--
Morrison's roundabout	0740	0804	0935	1028	1125	1228	1325	1428	1525	1628	1728	R
Chippenham, Rail Station	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Chippenham, Bus Station	0752	0822	0947	1040	1137	1240	1337	1440	1537	1640	1740	1838

Service Number	NS											
	92▲	92	92	92A	92	92A	92	92A	92	92B	92B	NS 92B
Chippenham, Bus Station	0755	0910	1010	1110	1210	1310	1410	1510	1610	1710	1810	1840
Chippenham, Rail Station	--	0917	1017	1117	1217	1317	1417	1517	1617	1717	1817	1847
Morrison's roundabout	0812	0925	1025	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1625	1725	1825	1855
Kington St Michael village	--	--	--	1130	--	1330	--	1530	--	1730	R	R
Buckley Barracks	0819	0938	1033	1138	1233	1338	1433	1538	1633	1738	R	R
Stanton St Quintin village	0821	0935	1035	--	1235	--	1435	--	1635	R	R	R
Hullavington, Queens Head	0830	0942	1042	--	1242	--	1442	--	1642	R	R	R
Corston, Radnor Arms	0836	0948	1048	1143	1248	1343	1448	1543	1648	1743	R	R
Malmesbury, Cross Hayes	0852	0955	1055	1150	1255	1350	1455	1550	1655	1755	R	R

KEY: NS - Not Saturdays
▲ - Also calls at Malmesbury School
◆ - Also calls at Hardenhuish and Sheldon schools in Chippenham
R - Calls at this point if required to set down passengers