

Proposed changes to bus services 50 and 52 in the Minety, Ashton Keynes, Cricklade and Purton areas



We want your views !

Wiltshire Council is reviewing the bus services it funds in the north west of the county with the aim of providing them in a more cost effective manner whilst continuing to meet local needs.

This leaflet shows proposed changes to bus services 50 and 52 in the Minety, Ashton Keynes, Cricklade and Purton areas. To let us know your views, complete the questionnaire on the back page and return it to us at the address shown, by **7 October 2013**.

Details of all the proposed changes, and copies of the consultation documents and on-bus questionnaires for the other services, can be found on the Wiltshire Council website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/consultations, or can be obtained from the address shown at the foot of the back page.

Bus Service 50 and 52

Summary of the proposed changes

Bus services 50 and 52 link Minety and Ashton Keynes with Cricklade, Swindon and Cirencester and are currently operated by the AD Rains bus company on behalf of Wiltshire Council, who fund the entire service. The service is designed to meet a variety of transport needs, including journeys to work, education and shopping in Swindon and Cirencester. Service 52 also provides the opportunity for the residents of Minety, Purton and the Lydiard residential Park at Hook to access the shops and medical facilities in Royal Wootton Bassett.

Use of many of the journeys on these services is generally poor, particularly after 3pm. The current timetable is also very expensive to provide because it requires the use of two buses in the afternoon. However, surveys suggest that the majority of the needs of our existing passengers could be met by altering the timetable so that it can be operated using just one bus.

Wiltshire Council has produced a new timetable below which we believe will enable the service to be provided in a more cost effective manner, whilst retaining links to the most popular destinations at times when they are most needed. **Please note that these changes would not affect existing bus services 51 and 53 and which are mostly operated by the Stagecoach bus company as a commercial venture, without the involvement of Wiltshire Council.**

We are keen to hear how well you feel these new arrangements would meet your own travel needs and so would be grateful if you could fill in the questionnaire on the back of this leaflet and return it to us in the post by **7th October 2013.**

Service 50 - Cirencester – Ashton Keynes – Minety– Cricklade – Royal Wootton Bassett – Swindon

Mondays to Saturdays

	Sch		NS					NS	NS
Swindon Bus Station	--	1040	1310	▲					
Wootton Bassett, High St.	--	1057	1327	--	Cirencester, Market Place	--	1200	1425	1640
Hook	--	1100	1330	--	Ashton Keynes, Kent End	0858	--	--	--
Lydiard Residential Park	--	R	R	--	Ashton Keynes, garage	0900	1215	1440	1655
Pavenhill	--	R	R	--	Upper Minety	0910	--	R	--
Purton, Square	--	1105	1335	--	Lower Minety	0912	--	R	--
Cricklade, turning circle	--	1114	1344	1734	Leigh, Foresters Arms	0919	1222	R	R
Leigh, Hillside	--	--	--	--	Leigh, Hillside	--	--	R	R
Leigh, Foresters Arms	--	1119	1349	1739	Cricklade, turning circle	0924	1229	--	1715
Lower Minety	--	1126	R	R	Purton, Square	0934	1239	--	--
Upper Minety	--	1128	R	R	Pavenhill	0937	--	--	--
Ashton Keynes, Kent End	--	--	R	R	Lydiard Residential Park	0940	--	--	--
Ashton Keynes, Garage	0747	1140	1405	1747	Hook	0943	1243	--	--
S.Cerney, Trenchard Gdns	0757	--	--	--	Wootton Bassett, High St	0946	R	--	--
Cirencester, Market Place	0807	1155	1420	--	Swindon Bus Station	1003	1303	--	▲
Kingshill School	0815	--	--	--					

Additional journey on Schooldays - 1510 from Kingshill School to Trenchard Gardens and Ashton Keynes only.

An earlier bus would also be provided from Ashton Keynes to Cricklade to connect with buses to Swindon, if required by students.

Additional journeys on Wednesdays between Cricklade, Purton and Royal Wootton Bassett (service 61)

Cricklade, High Street	0920	--		Royal Wootton Bassett, High Street	1145	1300
Purton Stoke, Bell Inn	0925	--		Hook, Bolingbroke Close	1153	1308
Purton, The Square	0930	1203		Greatfield, telephone box	1155	1310
Purton, Pavenhill, Restrop View	0935	1207		Lydiard Millicent, Church	1159	1314
Purton, The Square	0938	--		Purton, The Square	1203	1318
Lydiard Millicent, Church	0942	--		Purton, Pavenhill, Restrop View	1207	1322
Greatfield, telephone box	0946	1212		Purton, Witts Lane	--	1327
Hook, Bolingbroke Close	0948	1214		Purton Stoke, Bell Inn	--	1331
Royal Wootton Bassett, High St	0952	1219		Cricklade, High Street	--	1336

WHAT THE CODES MEAN

NS - This journey would not run on Saturdays
Sch - runs school days only

R - Calls at this point only if required to set down passengers

▲ - Indicates that a connection will be available to/from these points using bus services 51 or 53

Please let us know how you use bus services 50 and 52 and your views on the proposed timetable

by answering the questions below then returning this form to us at the address shown at the bottom of the page:

1. Which town or village do you live in? _____
2. How often do you use these bus services at the moment? (please tick one box)
- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 or more days a week | <input type="checkbox"/> twice per week | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than once per week |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 or 4 times per week | <input type="checkbox"/> once per week | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than once per month |
3. What journeys do you regularly make on these services and at what times do you travel ?
4. When you use the services, what is the purpose of your journey? (please tick all that apply)
- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel to/from work | <input type="checkbox"/> To attend school or college | <input type="checkbox"/> To attend medical appointments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for shopping | <input type="checkbox"/> To visit friends and relations | <input type="checkbox"/> To connect with trains at Swindon |
5. Do the current timetables meet your main travel needs? (please tick) Yes No Partly
6. Would the proposed timetables meet your needs? (please tick) Yes No Partly
7. If you have answered 'No' or 'Partly' to question 6, what specific journeys would you not be able to make and how often do you need to make these journeys ?
8. Do you wish to make any other comments on these proposals ?
9. Finally please give us a bit more information about yourself:
- What is your age group? (please tick) under 17 17-25 26-45 46-64 over 65
- Are you male or female? (please tick) Male Female
- Do you consider yourself disabled? No
 Yes - if so does this affect your ability to walk? Yes No

Thank you for completing this form. Now please return it to us using the reply paid envelopes which are available from the bus drivers on the Malmesbury area bus services, or post it to us at the following address:

Passenger Transport Unit, Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire. BA14 8JN