

Rail Notices...

Rail Engineering work

On Sunday 6th February buses will replace trains all day in both directions between Telford Central and Wolverhampton. Arriva Trains Wales services from and to Shrewsbury will operate to Telford Central only. Passengers travelling beyond Wolverhampton should plan to do so on services operated by other train operators.

On Saturday and Sunday 5th / 6th March buses will replace trains all day in both directions between Shrewsbury and Welshpool. For further details and times, contact National Rail Enquiries on **08457 484950** or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

Shrewsbury Park & Ride...

From **Monday 7 February 2011** the following changes are being made to the Shrewsbury Park and Ride service.

- ◆ New, more environmentally friendly vehicles will be introduced
- ◆ Increase in fares from £1.40 to £1.60. The cost of other ticket products will also increase accordingly.
- ◆ Change to the frequency of the service between 11am and 3pm Monday to Friday between these times the service will operate every 15 minutes.

From **Friday 1 April 2011** concessionary bus passes will no longer be valid for use on Shrewsbury Park and Ride.



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Have your say...

Draft Bus Strategy for Shropshire 2011 - 2016

Purpose

Shropshire Council will face some difficult decisions in the short and medium term as financial pressures increase on the budget for the provision of supported local bus services. This will affect the delivery and sustainability of bus services in all areas of the County. Shropshire Council must ensure that the money it has available is targeted at bus services which are **essential** in enabling people to go about their daily lives.

The draft bus strategy defines the principles and priorities on which the local bus network will be provided over the next 5 years and meets the Council and Communities objective of a flourishing Shropshire.

A saving of **£325,000** over the next 3 years will be achieved by moving to the minimum level of service as proposed in the draft bus strategy.

Consultation

Shropshire Council is consulting with people across Shropshire about proposed changes to local bus services. These changes are laid out in the draft bus strategy for Shropshire Council 2011—2016.

The consultation will be undertaken during January to March 2011. Comments from the consultation process will be considered in the final Bus Strategy which will be submitted to the Council in April 2011.

There are a number of different ways passengers will be able to have their say throughout the consultation period. There a number of different roadshows being held across the county, Officers will be available at the roadshows to answer any questions you may have. A list of the roadshows can be found on the councils website by going to;


www.shropshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation.

A questionnaire is also available online by following the same address the results will be viewed by the Council directly.

For those customers who do not have access to the website please feel free to either call us or write in via email or post and we will be able to send a paper questionnaire to you and a freepost envelope to return back to us.

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Bus Service Changes...

553 - Shrewsbury to Bishop's Castle

From Sunday 2 January 2011 the late night journeys on Fridays and Saturdays will no longer operate along this route. For full details on the timetable or to plan routes in the area please contact

Traveline ☎ 0870 200 22 33

735 - Presteigne to Ludlow

From Monday 3 January 2011 the Lugg Valley Coaches have withdrawn this service. For alternative services in the area please contact **Traveline ☎ 0870 200 22 33**

81 / X44 - Shrewsbury to Telford

From Tuesday 4 January 2011 due to the removal of the 786 school service in Telford the 81 and X44 have revised the timetable in order to accommodate schoolchildren. For more information on this service please contact the operator.

Arriva Midlands ☎ 0845 026 2625

X75 - Llanidloes to Shrewsbury

71 - Newtown to Shrewsbury

D71 - Welshpool to Oswestry

X3 - Newtown to Shrewsbury

From Monday 10 January 2011 all of the above services will have alterations in their route around the Welshpool area due to the new one way traffic system in place in the town. This will not affect the rest of the service but passengers are advised to check with the operator if arriving or departing from Welshpool.

Tanat Valley Coaches ☎ 01691 780212

125 - Bridgnorth to Kidderminster

On Saturday 15 January 2011 the service 125 will be extended on Saturdays to allow for onward travel from Kidderminster to Stourbridge due to the removal of the Hansons service 252. For details on times and departure points please call

Traveline ☎ 0870 200 22 33

X5 - Shrewsbury to Telford

1 - Monkmoor to Gains Park

8 - Shrewsbury Bus Stn to Sutton Farm

96 - Shrewsbury to Telford

891 / 892 - Telford to Wolverhampton

From Friday 25 February 2011 all of the above services will have a number of changes made to their route and times. Passengers are advised to check with the Operator for more details on the changes.

Arriva Midlands ☎ 0845 026 2625

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Road Closures...

Shrewsbury

Bridge Street

On Sunday 30 January, Sunday 6 February and Sunday 13 February 2011 Bridge Street in Shrewsbury will be closed between 9am and 5pm due to essential road maintenance. This will affect all services that would normally enter town centre via the English Bridge heading towards the bus station. All services that would normally take this route will be picking up and dropping off passengers from the gyratory outside Mansers Antiques in Abbey Foregate. For more details please contact the operator.

Arriva Midlands ☎ 0845 026 2625

Sundorne Road

On Sunday 30 January, Sunday 6 February and Sunday 13 February 2011 and section of Sundorne Road between the Heathgates Island and Albert Road junction will be closed due to essential road maintenance. This will affect the Arriva Midlands 64 service to Market Drayton. The service will be diverted from Heathgates Island along Whitchurch Road and Featherbed Lane and vice versa.

Crowmeole Lane

From Monday 21 February 2011 until Friday 25 February 2011 Crowmeole Lane between the junctions of Sandiway and Oakfield Road will be closed due to essential road maintenance. This will affect the Arriva Midlands service 12 which will be diverted from Sandiway back along Radbrook Road and then along Oakfield Road and Woodfield Road to continue the journey on Swiss Farm Road and vice versa. For more information please contact the operator.

Arriva Midlands ☎ 0845 026 2625

Nesscliffe

From Sunday 30 January 2011 until Sunday 27 February 2011 the main road through the village of Nesscliffe will be closed due to essential road maintenance. This will affect the Arriva Midlands service 70, the service will pick up passengers outside the Crescent housing estate and will then continue back along the main road towards Shrewsbury or Oswestry. For more details please contact the operator

Arriva Midlands ☎ 0845 026 2625

Ludlow

From Monday 21 February 2011 until Monday 18 March 2011 King Street in Ludlow will be closed due to essential road maintenance. This will affect all services that would normally pick up and drop off outside the Assembly Rooms. During the closure all services will be picking up and dropping off passengers outside the Compasses Inn on Corve Street. Passengers are advised to leave enough time for travel as there may be some time changes along all routes.

Shifnal

On Saturday 19 February 2011 Cheapside and Bradford Street in Shifnal will both be closed for the entire day due to Shifnal Farmers Market. This will affect the Arriva Midlands service 891 and 892 and as such the service will not be able to serve the Victoria Road stops. Instead the service will be picking up and dropping off passengers outside The Wheatsheaf Inn for both directions of the journey.

Arriva Midlands ☎ 0844 800 44 11

Alterations to Shropshire Council's subsidised services...

From Friday 1 April there will be a number of changes to services subsidised in Shropshire by Shropshire Council. All services will no longer accept concessionary passes before 9.30am Monday to Friday. Concessionary pass holders will still be able to use their passes all day Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays. As part of the overall fare increase review, fares on services subsidised by Shropshire Council will also be increased on Friday 1 April 2011.