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COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

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What is Community Transport?

Community Transport in Somerset is provided by a number of charitable organizations each offering 16 seat buses

What does it provide?

The transport is offered to people in areas where there is little or no public transport or for a number of reasons it is inaccessible to them

The services are provided for :-

- Shopping trips
- Hospital, GP or Health Clinic appointments
- Social trips
- Access to public transport links
- Access to clubs and Day Centres
- Community facilities

Who for?

The schemes offer their facilities to those who are unable to access public transport either through ill health, age, have no other means of transport, or those with mobility problems including wheelchairs

Notes

Yeovil & District (South Somerset) CVS – 24 hour notice required

Booking times are between 8.30am – 5pm 01935 475914

Winnibus (Wincanton) – 01749 812314

West Somerset

Bicklifts (Bicknoller) – 07790 959605

Brompton Parish Lifts – 01398 371

Crowcombe Cars – 01984 618287

Exmoor Community Bus – 01398 323665

PALS (Porlock – 01643 863211

West Somerset CVS – 24 hours notice required

Booking times are between 10am – 4pm

West Somerset Social Cars – 01643 707874

Items in **Bold** indicate minibus schemes.

Journeys outside each area are to be booked by arrangement with the co-ordinator.

The service should be booked well in advance of traveling to assist administration

How to access the service

Ring one of the numbers given below, giving at least 24 hours notice

How much does it cost

The cost of travel is dependent on the number of people traveling, for example, if a minibus is required to transport a single client the cost of that travel will need to be recovered from that individual. The more passengers using the vehicle the more the cost can be spread amongst those traveling.

Some schemes operate on a zonal basis, where the price is fixed to the different zones traveled through.

In all cases the cost will be notified prior to traveling.

Any area specific information

The number of schemes is expected to grow over the next couple of years and if you need further information on any of these schemes contact Roy Steele, Community Transport Officer, Somerset County Council. 01823 355455

Local addresses, contact names and telephone numbers

Users are asked to give as much notice as possible so that journeys can be matched. Some services get booked up very quickly

Mendip

Mendip Community Transport – 24 hours notice required

Booking times are between 9am –4pm 01749 330100

The Ridings Care Scheme - 01373 471711

Godney Access Scheme – 01749 341226

Two new Dial and Ride schemes are planned for the Frome and Wells areas. Information will be available soon

Taunton Deane

Taunton Deane Community Transport - 24 hours notice required

Booking times are between 9am – 4pm 01823 331266

The Wivey Link

Booking times are between 9am – 1pm 01823 286222

Lydeard Lifts – 01984 667344

Sedgemoor

Sedgmoor Community Transport – 24 hours notice required

Booking times are between 9am –1pm 01278 434881

Village Wheels –(Woolavington)- 01278 434881

Isle of Wedmore Community Bus

Booking times are between 6pm – 6.30pm on the previous evening 01934 712088

Shipham Car Scheme – 01934 843562

South Somerset

Barrington Ring & Ride – 01460 52438

Carry & Ansford Community Bus – 01963 352112

Crewkerne Voluntary Transport

Booking times are between 9am –4pm 01460 75759

Ilminster Community Transport

Booking times are between 9am – 4pm

South Somerset links (Langport and Somerton) 01935 477399

South Somerset Community Cars

Booking times are between 9am – 4pm 01935 411572

South Somerset C.A.T (Ring & Ride)

Booking times are between 9.30am – 12.30pm 01963 33864