

Community Transport "Hoppa" style bus service

Dear Clerks,

You may have heard that I am leading a working party in Buntingford to produce a Community Transport "Hoppa" style bus service that will serve the outlying villages, bringing passengers into and from Buntingford.

The **Buntingford CAT** will initially serve the town of Buntingford bringing residents into the town centre. This initiative will be funded by house developers in Buntingford and serve the new developments and existing residents.

It is proposed to supply a second bus that will serve the surrounding villages due to the limited regular bus service or no service at all.

The villages included in the scheme are proposed as:

Meesden, Anstey, Aspenden, Cottered, Throcking, Buckland, Chipping, Gt Hormead, Little Hormead, Hare Street, Wyddial, Westmill.

The actual village service will be scheduled as to the demand. The initial proposal will be to provide a twice daily service on four village routes, 8am-5pm six days a week.

This initiative has the support of Buntingford Town Council, EHDC and HCC.

A questionnaire has been produced that we would like delivered to every household in the villages which includes a pre-paid business reply envelope for the completed questionnaires and also a link to an on-line questionnaire.

I am seeking the help of Parish Councils to assist the project and arrange delivery of these envelopes to your residents.

Your response would be much appreciated as to who we can deliver the bulk letters to in your parish to co-ordinate delivery.

The questionnaires are now ready for delivery.

This project, I hope you will agree, will be a great benefit to your residents enabling frequent access to the service centre of Buntingford, without having to rely on the private car and relieve parking issues in the town.

Once again your assistance is very much required to enable us to plan a service suitable for the demands of your community.

Kind regards

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