

ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

TRANSPORT LIAISON GROUP – 05 July 2017

TRANSPORT ISSUES – Questions from Councillors

The following questions have been received since the last meeting:-

(1) BUS SERVICE – Hooton Levitt and Maltby

Issue Raised by a Resident

Is it all possible to try to get the rural bus service back, that we lost last year because of cut backs. We have a number of elderly people who are finding it difficult to get to the doctors, hairdressers and shopping unless we pay for taxis.

(2) BUS SERVICE – Whiston

Issues raised by a Ward Councillor

Have First made any progress in sourcing smaller buses for the number 34 bus route as they agreed these were necessary; and have they looked into the provision of a route that takes into account old people who live on the Sorrel Sykes complex.

RESPONSE

Dear Councillor

Re: First Service 34

Thank you for your enquiry in relation to service 34 operated by First.

We can advise that First has a proposal to provide a two hourly (Monday-Friday) service along High Street and Chaff Lane in Whiston that will provide residents with a link to the shops at Worrygoose Lane as well as a direct service to the Hospital and Rotherham town centre. This will be in addition to the normal service 34 which First still hope to provide with smaller vehicles and they are looking to acquire these from elsewhere in the UK business.

These network changes are proposed from September 2017, but South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (SYPTE) and the operators intend to discuss any proposed changes with Councillors in the next two or three weeks.

Kind regards (SYPTE)