

Questions to Transport Advisory Board – 27th July, 2022

Question 1 - Councillor Griffin

Can I raise the issue of Rotherham Central railway ticket office being on a list for closure and the potential impacts of this, especially on disabled people (this issue has been raised by a local resident).

Response

Any closure of rail station ticket office would need to go through a rigorous consultation process, which would include an Equality Impact Assessment. There are no plans to close Rotherham rail station ticket office and mention of ticket office closures have come about during the recent industrial action and speculation from the unions. To avoid any doubt there are no plans to close Rotherham rail station ticket office.

Question 2 - Councillor Andrews

Are there plans to replace the service from Maltby to Doncaster which the Powell service has withdrawn from (particularly the 6.45 service) which I have had a lot of complaints as now people cannot get to work.

Response

Unfortunately Powell's Bus Company chose to cancel service 18 due to on-going sustainability issues of the service and staffing issues that are affecting bus operators nationally, as well as many other industries including local authorities. SYMCA have secured retention of the two early morning journeys until October 2022 and we are currently looking at longer term tendering solutions to retain these journeys. The early morning journeys continue to be provided to allow residents to access work in Doncaster.