

**Questions to Transport Advisory Group
17th September, 2025**

Question 1 – From Bob Croxton, Treeton Parish Council

We were disappointed at the imposition of a summer timetable reducing the 95 Sheffield to Rotherham via Treeton and back from 2 an hour to 1 an hour through the school holidays.

This was not well publicised and caught myself and other Treeton residents by surprise. It partially affected the busy part of the route between Treeton and Rotherham, picking up in Catcliffe, Brinsworth and Canklow. This always seems a fairly busy route.

Will this happen every summer from now and will it happen at other times of year - Christmas/Easter?

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Answer:- SYMCA are disappointed with the reduction to hourly service during the summer holidays on service 95. This is a commercial decision by First and we are not able to restrict this change. Whilst the summer reductions as a general principle is appropriate, as demand drops and congestion reduces, the reduction to hourly was not something we would normally expect to see. SYMCA will review with First for the summer of 2026 to see if it is more appropriate to maintain the half hourly service.

Question 2 – From Bob Croxton, Treeton Parish Council

On Tuesday, 28th August, whilst on a 95 from Sheffield to Treeton late afternoon, there was an incident on the Waverley Estate where a person tried to flag down the bus turning the corner from Lescar Road onto Stephenson Way. The driver would not stop and let the person on and pointed to the stop further up Stephenson Way. The stop is a long way from the corner and person did not run up!

I appreciate that this is what the driver will be instructed to do. However, with no bus stop signs on most of the estate how are people unfamiliar with the estate to know where the buses stop? The bus stops in each direction on Stephenson Way are not even marked on Google Maps! The locals that catch the buses regularly know where the stops are. Surely as the estate is nearing completion there should be proper stops with shelters?

Like so much with the Waverley project, the school full when half the houses are built, health centre only built near completion of the estate, putting extreme pressure on surrounding health centres, little thought at planning has gone into the bus routes through the estate.

The distance between the bus stops on Highfield Lane to Stephenson Way is 826.54m (2,711.75 ft). This to me is too long, particularly for any person with a disability. Lescar Road is totally unsuitable for buses being too narrow; it is not uncommon for buses to have to go onto the pavement to pass other buses and lorries. This road is also full of parked cars because of a lack of parking spaces!

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Answer:- SYMCA continue to request permanent bus stops within the Waverley Estate from both Harworth (the developer) and RMBC. Bus stop locations have been agreed but the allocated funding for these stops has not been released to allow SYMCA to proceed with the stop installations and the bus borders (hardstanding/raised kerb etc) has not been installed by the developer. We will raise this again with RMBC and Harworth.