KCC BUS FUNDING REDUCTION

Some local bus services in the Tonbridge & Malling area which are 'socially-desirable but commercially-unviable' are provided with financial support from Kent County Council (KCC). KCC is now faced with difficulties funding them in the future and propose to alter or withdraw services including the following in Summer 2022.

Tonbridge and Malling KENT KARRIER – to be discontinued without replacement.

Bus 58 (Trottiscliffe/Ryarsh/West Malling/East Malling/Maidstone Hospital) – to be discontinued without replacement.

Bus 59 (Grafty Green/Kingswood/Chart Sutton/ Boughton Monchelsea/Sutton Road) – Nu-Venture buses to be discontinued without replacement.

Bus 70 (Borough Green/Offham/West Malling/Lunsford Park) – to be discontinued without replacement.

Bus 88 (Kings Hill/Barming/Maidstone) – to be discontinued without replacement.

Bus 208 (East Peckham/Tonbridge/Pembury) – Go-Coach journeys to be withdrawn without replacement.

Bus 222 (Borough Green/Ightham/Plaxtol/Tonbridge) – to be reduced on Mondays to Fridays and withdrawn without replacement on Saturdays.

Bus 502 (West Malling/Kings Hill/Wrotham School) – to be discontinued without replacement.

Bus S4 (Shipbourne – Plaxtol – Sevenoaks) – school times - to be discontinued without replacement.

Buses X1/X2 (Kings Hill/West Malling Station/Maidstone) – to be discontinued without replacement.

If you have any concerns about any of the above proposals, please let KCC have your views at once and **NO LATER THAN 20 APRIL!**

Please check the KCC website – look for

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and complete the questionnaire there – by 20 April.

KCC will only review their proposals if they receive views and comments from the affected passengers, community groups and stakeholders.

Don't leave it to others to take part in this consultation!