

RAME PENINSULA PENINSULA PUBLIC TRANSPORT USERS GROUP

COVID -19 SUMMARY OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES CURRENTLY IN OPERATION, THAT ARE USED BY RESIDENTS IN OUR AREA OF SOUTH EAST CORNWALL (Updated 17/04/2021)

COVID -19 – LOCAL BUS SERVICES

TRANSPORT FOR CORNWALL BUS SERVICES

Nos. 70/70A/70B CREMYLL/ PORTWRINKLE - TORPOINT & PLYMOUTH.

No. 71 LISKEARD–ST.GERMANS-SALTASH -DERRIFORD HOSPITAL

No. 72 POLPERRO-LOOE-SALTASH & PLYMOUTH

No. 75 LISKEARD – CRAFTHOLE -TORPOINT

New TFC Bus Services East Cornwall Edition Timetable operative from the 28th March 2021 now applies.

The only alterations are to the No. 72 Service, which now includes new seasonal weekday buses from Polperro to Seaton at 12.55 & 17.25 and from Seaton to Polperro at 11.59 & 15.59. The diversion of the 17.20 Plymouth to to run via St.Germans is now fully shown and not just added as a note.

New Timetables can be obtained from the usual local sources or be downloaded from the Transport for Cornwall Website where the Mid & West Cornwall Edition Timetables can also be obtained

CITY BUS No. 34 ROYAL PARADE – DERRIFORD HOSPITAL DAILY SERVICE

Via Admirals Hard, Torpoint Ferry, Milehouse, Peverell, & Crownhill

CityBus are operating a normal No 34 service but it should be noted that on Schooldays only, a more frequent 20 minute interval service operates for several hours each day. At other times a 30 minute interval service operates on weekdays except in the later evening when an hourly service applies. On Sundays there is an hourly bus service all day

COVET -19 NATIONAL EXPRESS COACHES

National Express are currently operating a restricted service of two through coaches daily each way from Plymouth Coach Station to London Victoria via Heathrow Airport departing Plymouth at 08.15 & 15.45 & from London Victoria at 08.30 & 16.00. N.E. are also running two direct coaches each way daily to Birmingham departing Plymouth at 07.50 & 15.15 and from Birmingham Coach Station at 12.00 & 15.00. There is no indication at present that the service will be increased later this Summer. There is still no mention yet of any services operating to and from any destination Cornwall at any date in the future. This could alter so for further information you can you can use the National Express Travel Planner or Telephone 08717818181. Alternatively you can use Traveline.

COVET-19 STAGECOACH MEGABUS SERVICES

Although Stagecoach Megabus have recommenced operating a limited coach service they do not currently have any through coach services operating out of Plymouth. Instead they are using their frequent Falcon Bus Service from Plymouth Coach Station to connect at Bristol into Megabus Services from there to London, Cardiff, Birmingham, Manchester & Sunderland. This substantially increases the journey time to Heathrow Airport & London, but the increase in journey times to the other destinations is of course less significant. Tel. 01413524444 for further information.

COVET – 19 STAGECOACH FALCON BUS SERVICE PLYMOUTH – BRISTOL & RETURN

From the 4th April Stagecoach Falcon have reverted to full operating levels of up to 20 trips each way per day. Buses depart Plymouth Coach Station to Bristol International Airport & Bristol City Centre (Cabot Circus) from 01.00 until 23.00 with a mainly hourly frequency applying from 09.00 to 21.00. Calling points en route include Exeter, Taunton & Bridgewater. A similar service in the reverse direction departs Bristol City Centre (Cabot Circus) between 01.30 & 23.30 calling at Bristol International Airport approx. 30-45 minutes later. For further information Tel. 01392 427711 or email southwest.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com Information can also be obtained from Megabus.

COVID – 19 RAIL SERVICES

ST. GERMANS STATION – In the amended GWR K1 Time table & St. Germans Leaflet operative from the 12th April to the 15th May, on Mondays-to-Fridays, 22 trains are shown calling on the Up Line between 07.21 & 21.53 & 26 trains on the down line between 05.57 & 22.53. Through trains to Paddington at 07.43 & 08.50. Through trains from Paddington arriving at 10.03 (06.37ex Pad), 17.37(14.04exPad), 19.49(16.04exPad), 20.48(17.04exPad) & 22.53FO (19.04 ex Pad). Through trains to Cardiff at 08.22, 12.28 & 18.28. Through trains from Cardiff arriving at 12.02, 17.03 & 22.03. Notes:- Pad – London Paddington. FO – On Fridays only. The full amended GWR K1 Timetable can now be downloaded on Line. It is still however, advisable to check your times before travelling. In the new timetable commencing on the 16th May there appears to be very little change to the Mondays to Fridays Service. The welcome good news is that there will be a few more trains calling on Sundays, and there appears to be more through trains running to & from Paddington on Saturdays. More information in the next update,

PLYMOUTH RAILWAY STATION

GWR A full Pre Covid-19 Service was planned to run in the timetables operative from 13th December to 15th May 2021. However GWR have had to operate temporary timetables resulting in alterations with some reductions in service, but these are gradually being eased. The current amended D, CL, & K1 timetables operative from 12th April to 15th May can be downloaded on line. Please still check times before travelling. Restored catering facilities are available on some trains. It is expected that a full Pre Covid -19 Service will again be scheduled to operate in the new timetables commencing on the 16th May.

CROSS COUNTRY TRAINS – The current timetable operating until 15th May for trains to & from Manchester, and to & from the North East & Scotland, can be downloaded on line. In the timetable it states that they ‘are continuing to run a special service throughout the coronavirus pandemic’ and there are less but longer trains. More dwell time is given at stations to allow for the longer trains, and a small number of stations have had their services reduced or withdrawn to allow for the additional time needed at more heavily used stations. Restored catering facilities are available on trains but are only provided at one end of trains as the trolleys are not going through the trains. Train Announcements will be made on trains as to where the refreshment trolley is located. It would appear that despite easing of Lockdown restrictions, there will be little change in the new timetable commencing on 16th May

COVID – 19 - FERRY SERVICES

TORPOINT FERRY – Full Service operating with planned frequencies. Social distancing to be observed. Lane F is now allocated for sole of use of cyclists & motorcyclists who are requested to remain with their transport.

FERRY SERVICES OPERATED BY PLYMOUTH BOAT TRIPS

(Due to social distancing requirements. the passenger numbers have been restricted to approx. 50% of the carrying capacity of each vessel used on all the ferry services given below)

CREMYLL FERRY (Tel. 01752 822105) - Still operating a reduced service until 16th May. First services depart Cremyll at 06.45 (Mon.-Frid.), 07.30(Sats) & 08.30(Suns) Last ferry departs Admirals Hard daily at 18.15.

BARBICAN - CAWSAND FERRY (Tel. 01752 253153) Scheduled to run from 1st April-31st October. Ferries are now operating, departing Cawsand Beach during the season daily at 09.30, 11.00, 12.30, 14.00, 15.30, & 17.00.

MOUNT EDGECUMBE-ROYAL WILLIAM YARD- BARBICAN FERRY (Tel. 01752 253153) Scheduled to run from 1st April-31st October (Tel. 01752 253153 for more information) Ferries are now operating, departing Mt. Edgumbe during the season daily at 10.15, 11.45, 13.15, 14.45, 16.15 & 17.45.

COVID – 19 - MAKER WITH RAME COMMUNITY BUS

The Rame Community Bus has just resumed operation with two exploratory trips.

When fully operational, the scheduled services are:- Saltash & Kernow Mill on 1st Wednesday of month, Truro on 2nd Wednesday of month & Tavistock Pannier Market on 4th Friday of month. With social distancing in place, the bus is only able to take 50% of the usual number of passengers. (Tel. 01752 823346 for more information.)

COVID – 19 – DOWNDERRY COMMUNITY BUS

Not currently operating. Tel. 01503 250911 for more information.

COVID-19 - GENERAL

It is the law that you must wear a face covering unless exempt, when travelling in England by Public Transport & in substantially enclosed areas of Public Transport such as rail, bus & coach stations. Stay safe by sitting at least two metres apart. Board & disembark one person at a time. Pay fares with contactless cards if possible. Wash hands before and after travelling. Do not travel if feeling unwell. Plan ahead and consider travelling at off peak times.