Changes to Bus Services

Regrettably the Parish Council has been informed of further cuts to our parish bus services.

From October 14th the service each way through our villages each week day will be:

- To Worcester at 10:00 and leaving Worcester at 13:50.
- There will also be school days only services leaving Worcester at 07:20and 14:50 and going to Worcester at 16:20,

All other services including the Wednesday/Friday services from and to Worcester that terminate at Littleworth around midday are withdrawn.

There will be no Saturday service at all.

Many of us drive and perhaps do not really care about a bus service, but think about those of us who do not or cannot drive:

- We are trying to communicate details of these cuts to all, but please help us to ensure that anyone who you know uses the buses is aware of these cuts.
- How do those reliant on buses now get to a shop or the doctors? Or anywhere else?

We are looking at the possibility of a community minibus service, but to make that happen we need a lot of support from our community. That means you, whether you drive or not, <u>so please read the article in the September Parish Newsletter and</u> <u>get in touch even if it is just to express that support</u>. Better still help us organise the service or even volunteer to be a driver for a few hours a week.

We live in a world where everything we do depends on transport. If we are going to help the environment and reduce our dependence on cars then we need to walk, bicycle or use the bus. But the bus companies make no money from underused infrequent expensive rural bus services, so the only answer appears to be we help ourselves and organise our own community transport.

Get in touch please

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