

Media Release

For immediate use

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Changes to public bus services effective from Monday 8th June

An 'enhanced Saturday' bus service with integrated school services will be operated on week days from Monday 8th June until further notice, in order to account for increased bus passenger journeys across the network with the beginning of phase 4 and the re-opening of State's schools.

Weekend services will now be operating as normal, with the exception of the published additional summer services that were due to operate between 11th April and 12th October. These summer services will also not be operating on week days.

The Friday and Saturday nightbus will also not be operating for the time being.

Passenger capacity will continue to be restricted in accordance with Public Health guidance on social distancing requirements. Please follow on-board notices and any instructions issued by the driver and remain vigilant with handwashing and hygiene before and after using the bus service.

Islanders are asked to only use the bus service if they have no alternative methods of travel, so that those who need it most are able to obtain a space. Active travel methods such as walking or cycling are strongly encouraged to continue wherever possible.

Every effort has been made to ensure that an adequate number of services are provided at commuter times, including the provision of services timed and routed to serve the need of College students. If you are an essential worker and you are impacted by these changes please call CT Plus on 700456 for further advice as to how you may be able to complete your journey as planned.

Passengers are reminded that cash fares are not currently being accepted on scheduled bus services but that contactless payment facilities are available on all buses. For those that do

not have access to contactless, Pay as You Go (PAYG) 'orange' puffin passes are available at a cost of £5. These are available to purchase on board buses and from the kiosk. Cash payments can however be processed at the Town Terminus Shop.

The provision of bus services will continue to be reviewed over the coming weeks. Traffic and Highway Services wishes to thank CT Plus, its drivers and the general public for their support.

Information regarding these changes have been displayed inside all service buses and the new timetable can be viewed at

<http://www.buses.gg/files/Guernsey%20Cov19%20timetable%20086020.pdf>

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