



Press Release

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Auchterarder Town Bus Service revving up to start ...

With the start of the new Town Bus Service less than a fortnight away, Auchterarder Community Bus Group (ACBuG) were absolutely delighted with the response to their coffee morning at the Aytoun Hall on Saturday, 20 July 2019. There was a great deal of enthusiastic support for a rather unique community funded, and managed, bus service.

ACBuG's Lisa McGraw said "Over 200 people attended and we raised £700. We are exceedingly grateful to those locals who provided baking, prizes for the draw and served the refreshments."

Timetable leaflets for the Town Bus Service were handed out, with Trustees also available to answer queries. Trustee Irvine Small noted "The feedback received was generally really positive, with local residents highlighting journeys they plan to make on the new routes."

ACBuG Treasurer Neil Anderson added "The Town Bus Service will take some time to bed in, but we have encouraged people to provide feedback. Trustees are keen to find out how well the new timetables meet travel needs."

Andrew Warrington, ACBuG Chair, indicated "The Town Bus Service leaflet will be distributed widely throughout the community in the next few days, with local shops, the Library, St Margaret's Hospital, community groups and other organisations getting supplies. Additionally, some 'door to door' distribution will be undertaken."

Notes for Editors:

The Town Bus Service will start on 05 August 2019, be provided on behalf of ACBuG by Docherty's Midland Coaches, and include Services 49 and 49A.

Service 49 operates five days a week (not Wednesday or Sunday) and links the three main housing areas to the south of the High Street/Townhead, and Castlemains and Kirkton, to the Town Centre and St Margaret's Health Centre/Hospital.

Service 49A operates on Wednesday only, and links Grand Eagles, Glenorchil, Grampian Avenue, Muirton and Strathearn House to the Town Centre and St Margaret's Health Centre/Hospital.

Both Services 49 and 49A will operate hourly during the day.

The bus will be low floor and wheelchair accessible, thus making it really convenient to use.

A flat fare scheme will apply throughout the town, whilst holders of National Entitlement Cards will travel free.

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