

**TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER COMMITTEE
REPORT FOR RESOLUTION**

SUB COMMITTEE: TfGMC Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub-Committee

DATE: 23 November 2012

SUBJECT: Forthcoming Changes to the Bus Network

REPORT OF: Bus and Rail Director, Transport for Greater Manchester

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1) To inform Members of the changes that have taken place to the bus network since the last TfGMC Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub-Committee meeting, in addition to report on consequential action taken or proposed by Transport for Greater Manchester.
- 2) To seek guidance from Members on proposed Transport for Greater Manchester action.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are invited to consider the report and to: -

1. Note or comment as appropriate on the changes to the commercial network and the proposals not to replace the de-registered commercial services as set out in Annex A.
2. Note or comment as appropriate on the proposed actions in respect of the de-registered commercial services set out in Annex B.
3. Note or comment as appropriate on the proposed changes to existing general subsidised services set out in Annex C.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Previous reports to the TfGMC Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub-Committee.

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1 Introduction and Background

At its annual meeting on 15 June, the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee agreed that the Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub-Committee was to consider all matters relating to the operation and service performance of the bus network in Greater Manchester, including commercially registered and subsidised services; bus stations and bus stops; passenger information services; contract monitoring; vehicle standards; and passenger safety for the subsidised bus network. Acting under delegated authority, the Sub Committee is tasked to review closely and approve all proposed changes to the subsidised bus network and ensure that the cost of the subsidised general services is kept within the appropriate budget or any cash limits.

2. Changes to Commercial Services (Annex A)

Annex A to this report lists changes to commercial services which, in the view of Transport for Greater Manchester, are not sufficiently significant to require the provision of subsidised replacements. Brief details of the implications of the changes are provided.

3. Changes to Commercial Services (Annex B)

Annex B to this report lists changes to commercial services and provides brief details of the implications of these changes, which officers believe are of sufficient importance to require action by Transport for Greater Manchester. Details of the proposed actions are also provided.

4. Changes to General Subsidised Services (Annex C)

Annex C to this report lists, by service number, proposals for changes to general subsidised services on which the views of Members are requested. Information is also given about the reasons for proposing these changes.

5. Financial Implications

Annex A, presents no financial implications.

Annex B, financial implications will be reported in part B of the Agenda.

Annex C, financial implications will be reported in Part B of the Agenda

6. TfGM Comments

Members are asked to note and endorse TfGM's successful involvement in facilitation of the Callaghan House Neuro-rehabilitation Therapy Centre Hospital Transport service in Rochdale. This service, operated by Manchester Community Transport and wholly funded by Rochdale PCT, provides a Demand Responsive Local Link type transport for Callaghan House outpatients linked to the appointment process, in order to reduce non-attendance and the associated waste of NHS resources. In the 16 months that this service has been in operation outpatient non-attendance has been reduced from 500 patients per month to nil.

Michael Renshaw
Bus and Rail Director

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE COMMERCIAL NETWORK

ANNEX A

The Committee is requested to note or agree the following changes to the commercial network and the proposals not to replace de-registered commercial services:

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
MR RE	17 Manchester – Blackley – Middleton – Castleton - Rochdale	JP Travel	JP Travel and First journeys combine to provide a high frequency daily daytime service. JP Travel journeys will be curtailed to operate between Manchester Shudehill and Middleton Bus Station, no longer operating through to Rochdale.	25/11/12	First high frequency service 17 journeys	No TfGM action at this stage
WN SD TD	132 Wigan – Hindley – Atherton – Tyldesley – Boothstown – Trafford Centre	South Lancs Travel	Service 132 operates hourly Monday to Saturday daytime. The Monday to Friday 1630 & 1730 hours journeys from Wigan to Hindsford, Tyldesley Old Road will be withdrawn.	16/12/12	Service 32 (First) every 30 minutes between Wigan and Tyldesley via Hindley and Atherton. Frequent Service 540 (First) between Wigan and Hindley. Service 598 (First) every 15 minutes between Wigan and Hindley Green.	No TfGM action at this stage.

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ST	130 Piccadilly – East Didsbury – Cheadle - Macclesfield	Arriva and D&G Coach & Bus	<p>The Monday to Friday daytime, every 30 minutes, the hourly Saturday and Sunday daytime and Sunday evening journeys are operated by Arriva.</p> <p>The last two Monday to Saturday evening return journeys between East Didsbury & Macclesfield are operated by South Lancs Travel.</p> <p>The following journeys will be withdrawn:</p> <p><u>Monday to Saturday</u> From Macclesfield to East Didsbury at 1910 and 2140. From East Didsbury to Macclesfield at 2010 & 2240.</p> <p><u>Saturday morning</u> From Macclesfield to Manchester at 0645 and 0745.</p> <p>From Manchester to Macclesfield at 0703.</p>	01/01/13	<p>Service 50 between Manchester and East Didsbury every 15 minutes (Stagecoach)</p> <p>Service 157 hourly from Manchester and between East Didsbury and Cheadle Road, Cheadle Hulme (Finglands).</p> <p>Service 369 every 30 minutes between Cheadle Hulme, Turves Road and Etchells Road (Stagecoach).</p> <p>No alternative service between Wilmslow Road and Spath Lane.</p>	<p>The journeys to be withdrawn are currently operated under contract to Cheshire East Council with financial contribution from TfGM.</p> <p>Cheshire East Council informed TfGM officers that the contract will cease from 1st January 2013.</p> <p>Surveys show an average of 13 passengers per trip, of those only 4 passengers per trip were making journeys across the Cheshire/Greater Manchester boundary. Of the remaining 9 passengers, 3 were wholly within Greater Manchester, and could use the alternative services shown, and 6 were wholly within Cheshire.</p> <p>Given the low number of passengers within Greater Manchester and unique passengers travelling across the boundary, officers are not recommending replacement of this service.</p> <p>No TfGM action at this stage</p>










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WN	613 Wigan – Bottling Wood – New Springs	South Lancs Travel	There are currently three journeys numbered 613: -Monday to Friday 0730 from New Springs to Wigan - Saturday 0840 from New Springs to Wigan - Monday to Friday 1705 from Wigan to New Springs A Monday to Friday 1625 from Wigan to New Springs will be introduced.	16/12/12	----	No TfGM action at this stage.
WN	614 Wigan – New Springs circular	South Lancs Travel	Service 614 operates every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime and hourly in the evening. The Monday to Friday 1625 from Wigan to New Springs will be withdrawn. The Monday to Friday 1640 from New Springs to Wigan will be retimed to operate seven minutes later throughout.	16/12/12	Service 575 (Arriva, First and Maytree) every 15 minutes between Wigan and Aspull via Whelley. Service 715 (Arriva / Maytree) every 30 minutes between Wigan and Aspull via Whelley.	The new Monday to Friday 1625 journey from Wigan on Service 613 will replace the withdrawn 1625 journey on Service 614. No TfGM action at this stage.

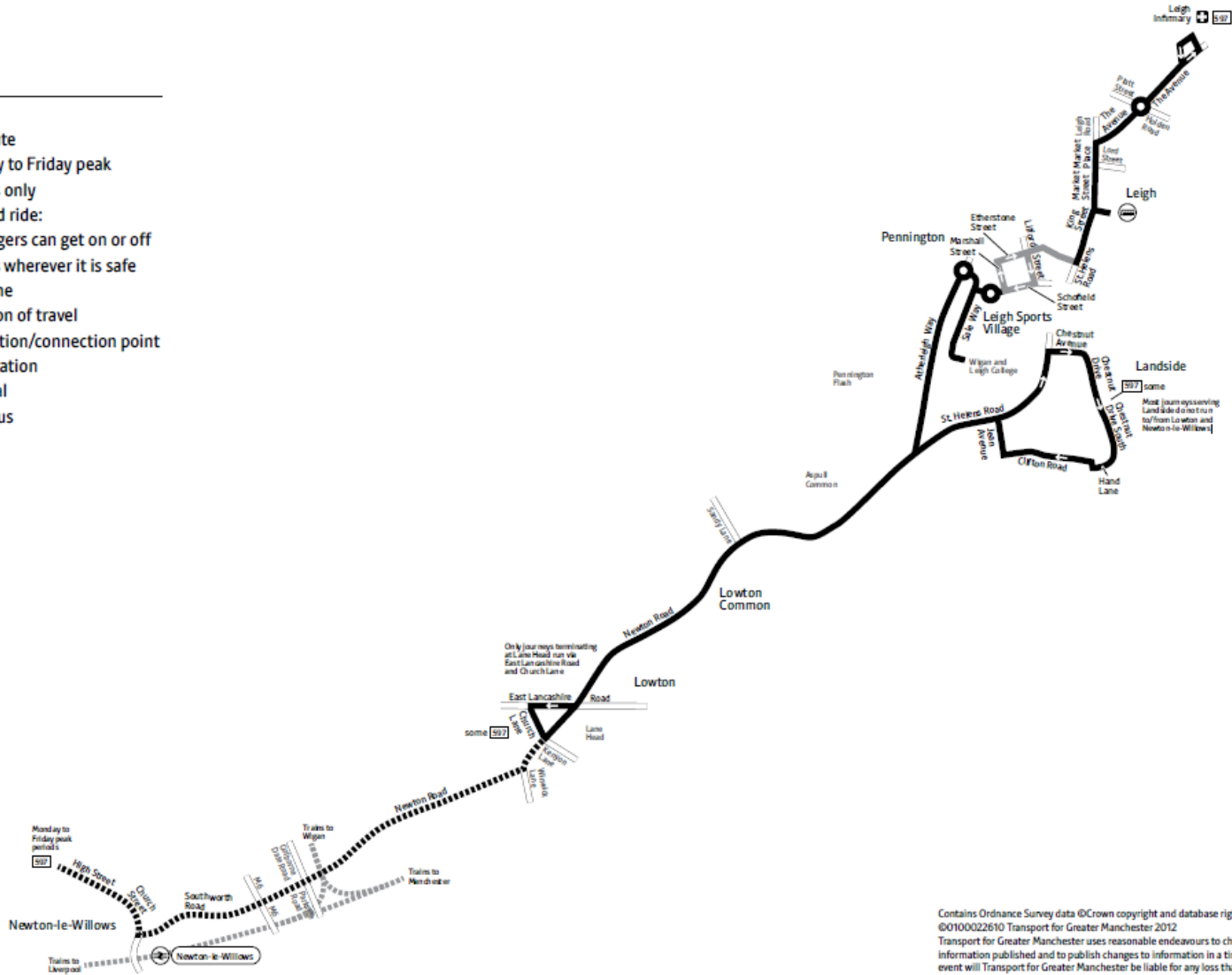
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WN	624 Wigan – Whelley – Bottling Wood	South Lancs Travel	<p>Service 624 operates hourly Monday to Saturday daytime.</p> <p>The Monday to Friday 1635 from Wigan to Bottling Wood will be withdrawn.</p> <p>The Monday to Friday 1450 & 1650 from Bottling Wood to Wigan will be withdrawn.</p>	16/12/12	<p>Service 575 (Arriva / First and Maytree) operates every 15 minutes between Wigan and Aspull via Whelley.</p> <p>Service 715 (Arriva and Maytree) operates every 30 minutes between Wigan and Aspull via Whelley.</p> <p>Service 614 (South Lancs Travel and Wigan Buses) operates every 30 minutes between Wigan and New Springs via Whelley.</p> <p>The new commercial Monday to Friday 1625 journey on Service 613 (South Lancs Travel / Wigan Buses) from Wigan to New Springs via Bottling Wood.</p>	<p>A recent survey carried out on the 1450 journey from Bottling Wood which will be withdrawn has shown four passengers. Journey purpose shows one passenger travelling for work and three passengers travelling for social / leisure. The withdrawal of this journey will leave a 2 hour gap between the 1350 and 1550 hours journeys.</p> <p>A recent survey carried out on the 1650 journey from Bottling Wood to Wigan has shown no passengers travelling.</p> <p>As the number of passengers travelling is low, officers are not recommending replacement of the 1450 and 1650 journeys from Bottling Wood to Wigan.</p> <p>No TfGM action at this stage.</p>

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
WN	597 Leigh Infirmary – Leigh Town Centre – Leigh Sports Village – Landside /Lowton /Newton le Willows	Maytree Travel Ltd	<p>Service 597 operates between Leigh Infirmary and Landside or Lowton via Leigh Town Centre and Leigh Sports Village.</p> <p>Service 597 currently operates as follows:</p> <p>Monday to Saturday daytime: every 30 minutes between Leigh Infirmary and Landside or Lowton on an alternate basis.</p> <p>Monday to Friday evening: every 30 minutes between Leigh Infirmary and Leigh Sports Village.</p> <p>Sunday daytime: every 30 minutes between Leigh Infirmary and Leigh Sports Village with alternate journeys extending to Landside.</p> <p>The commercial section of route between Leigh Sports Village and Landside / Lowton / Newton le Willows will be withdrawn.</p>	30/12/12	<p>Service 34 (Arriva) operates every 20 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime between Leigh and Newton le Willows via Lowton.</p> <p>Service 600 (First) operates every 12 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime between Leigh and Lowton.</p> <p>Service 596 (Jim Stones) operates hourly on Monday to Saturday between Leigh and Landside.</p>	<p>The commercial section of route to be withdrawn between Leigh Sports Village and Landside / Lowton currently operates hourly with two morning peak journeys from and two afternoon journeys extended to serve to Newton le Willows.</p> <p>These commercial journeys were only introduced on 29th July 2012 as a commercial initiative.</p> <p>Subsidised Service 597 will continue to operate between Leigh Infirmary and Leigh Sports Village.</p> <p>No TfGM action at this stage.</p>

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Key

-  Bus route
-  Monday to Friday peak periods only
-  Hail and ride: passengers can get on or off the bus wherever it is safe
-  Train line
-  Direction of travel
-  Bus station/connection point
-  Train station
-  Hospital
-  Terminus



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SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE COMMERCIAL NETWORK

ANNEX B

The Committee is requested to agree that action is taken regarding the following changed or deregistered services:

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
WN BN	516 / 517 Leigh – Westhoughton – Middlebrook – Horwich (516 via Chorley New Road & 517 via Victoria Road, Horwich)	South Lancs Travel	South Lancs Travel Services 516 and 517 combine to operate every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime The Saturday daytime journeys will be withdrawn.	16/12/12	575 (Arriva / First and Maytree) high frequency along Chorley New Road 714 (Maytree) hourly between Horwich and Middlebrook via Chorley New Road The following unique sections of route would be unserved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schofield Lane and Lower Leigh Road • Lostock Road & Lostock Lane, Four Gates. • Victoria Road, Horwich 	TfGM officers have negotiated the continuation of the Saturday journeys until 26 January 2013 to enable officers to fully assess the implications of this withdrawal. The cost of retaining these journeys will be shown in Part B of this report. A further report on progress will be presented to Members at the January meeting of this Committee.

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
WN	633 Wigan – Winstanley College	South Lancs Travel	<p>Service 633 operates hourly daytime, college days only between Wigan and Winstanley College.</p> <p>The following journeys will be withdrawn: 0930, 1030, 1130, 1301, 1401 from Wigan to Winstanley College. 0855, 0955, 1055, 1155, 1326 & 1426 from Winstanley College to Wigan.</p> <p>The first journey from Wigan at 0830 and last journey from Winstanley College at 1616 will remain commercial. These two journeys will be rerouted to omit Melrose Drive and instead will operate along Highfield Grange Avenue /Holmes House Avenue.</p>	16/12/12	<p>Service 352(Arriva) every 15 minutes between Orrell and Wigan, with 6 additional trips from Wigan to Winstanley College and 5 trips from Winstanley College to Wigan.</p> <p>Service 607 hourly between Wigan and Marus Bridge</p> <p>Circular Service 610 (First / Wigan Buses) operates every 20 minutes between Wigan and Hawkley Hall</p> <p>Circular Services 631 632(First) each operate every 20 minutes from Wigan via Highfield Grange</p>	<p>Officers recommend replacement of all the commercially withdrawn journeys with the exception of the 0855 from Winstanley College.</p> <p>A recent survey carried out on the 0855 journey shows four passengers, all of which have alternative services available.</p> <p>Officers do not propose to replace the withdrawn section of route on the 0830 journey from Wigan or the 1610 journey from Winstanley College as recent survey data has shown only 1 passenger alighting on Melrose Drive on the current 1616 journey from Winstanley College.</p> <p>An Invitation To Tender has been issued.</p> <p>Members are asked to:</p> <p>a) Approve the withdrawal of the 0855 journey from Winstanley College.</p> <p>b) Note that Officers have invited tenders for replacement of the other withdrawn journeys.</p> <p>c) Note that Officers will provide a verbal report on progress at the meeting.</p>

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WN	634 Wigan – Ince – Belle Green	South Lancs Travel	<p>Service 634 currently operates hourly Monday to Saturday daytime.</p> <p>The Monday to Friday 0805 journey from Ince Bar to Wigan via Belle Green will be withdrawn.</p> <p>The Monday to Friday 0905 journey from Wigan to Belle Green will instead commence at Ince Bar to Belle Green at 0922.</p>	16/12/12	<p>Service 32 (First) every 30 minutes between Wigan and Hindley.</p> <p>Service 132 hourly between Wigan and Hindley.</p> <p>Frequent service 540 (First) between Wigan and Hindley.</p> <p>Service 598 (First) every 15 minutes between Wigan and Hindley via Belle Green.</p> <p>Service 630 (Wigan Buses) hourly between Wigan and Lower Ince via Ince Bar.</p>	<p>A survey carried out on the 0905 journey between Wigan and Belle Green which is to be withdrawn has shown no passengers travelled between Wigan and Ince Bar, therefore, officers are not recommending replacement of this journey.</p> <p>An Invitation To Tender has been issued for the replacement of the Monday to Friday 0805 from Ince Bar to Wigan. This journey will be retimed to operate 10 minutes earlier throughout.</p> <p>Members are asked to note that:</p> <p>a) Officers have invited tenders for replacement of the Monday to Friday 0805 withdrawn journey.</p> <p>b) Officers will provide a verbal report on progress at the meeting.</p>

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
WN	644 Wigan – Worsley Hall – Pemberton Health Centre Circular	South Lancs Travel	<p>Service 644 currently operates every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime between Wigan and Worsley Hall.</p> <p>Monday to Friday 0825, 1530 & 1600 from Wigan to Worsley Hall circular journeys will be withdrawn.</p> <p>Monday to Friday 0900 from Wigan to Worsley Hall circular journey will be curtailed to commence at Sherwood Drive, Pemberton Health Centre at 0914.</p>	17/12/12	<p>Circular Services 638 639 (Wigan Buses) each operate hourly from Wigan via Worsley Hall</p> <p>Circular Services 621 628 (First) each operate every 12 minutes from Wigan via Scot Lane.</p>	<p>Surveys carried out on the circular trips to be withdrawn have shown the following:</p> <p><u>Monday to Friday</u> (from Wigan):</p> <p>0825 - 9 passengers</p> <p>0900 - 0 passengers on the affected section of route (2 passengers boarding in Worsley Hall before Sherwood Drive, Pemberton Health Centre and travelling to Wigan will be able to use the 0914 journey from the Health Centre)</p> <p>1530 - 2 passengers. Alternative journeys available at 1525 on Service 639 and 1503 & 1603 on Service 638</p> <p>1600 - 6 passengers. Alternative journeys available at 1525 & 1625 on Service 639 & 1503 and 1603 & 1703 on Service 638</p> <p>Due to low usage and alternative services, officers do not recommend replacement of :</p> <p>0900 from Wigan to Worsley Hall.</p> <p>1530 and 1600 from Wigan to Worsley Hall circular journeys</p>

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						<p>An Invitation To Tender has been issued for the replacement of the Monday to Friday 0825 from Wigan to Worsley Hall circular</p> <p>Members are asked to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approve the withdrawal of the 0900, 1530 and 1600 journeys from Wigan. b) Note that officers have invited a tender for a replacement journey at 0825 from Wigan. c) Note that Officers will provide a verbal report on progress at the meeting.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE SUBSIDISED NETWORK

ANNEX C

The Committee are invited to consider officer's proposals on the following services:

Dist	Service, route and operator	TfGM officer comments and recommendations
BY MR	154 Bury – Pilsworth – Prestwich – North Manchester General Hospital - Cheetham Hill <i>First Manchester</i>	Service 154 operates hourly Monday to Saturday daytime. Due to punctuality issues TfGM Officers and First have agreed a revised timetable to be introduced from Monday 28 January 2013. The route will continue to serve North Manchester General Hospital, no longer calling into Tesco's, Cheetham Hill via Thomas Street and Arlington Street, instead the service will operate via Crescent Road and Bury Old Road. Passengers at Thomas Street and Arlington Street will have a short walk of 150 metres to the nearest alternative bus stops. Surveys show an average of less than one passenger per trip will be affected. There is no impact on the Subsidised Services Budget. Members are asked to note the rerouting of Service 154 along Crescent Road and Bury Old Road instead of Thomas Street and Arlington Street.



Route plan for bus number
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Connection points

- Bus: Bury Interchange
- Tram: Bury Interchange
- Prestwich tram stop
- Crumpsall tram stop

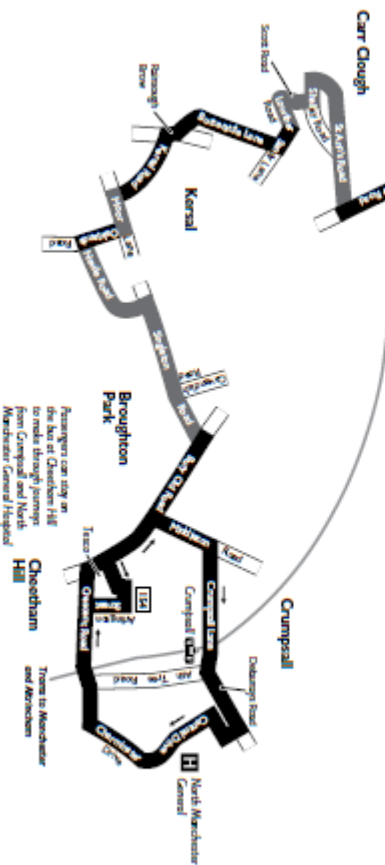


KEY

- Bus route
- Hail and ride: passengers can get on or off the bus wherever it is safe
- Train line
- Bus station/ main connection point
- Train station
- Train stop
- Hospital
- Terminus
- Direction of travel

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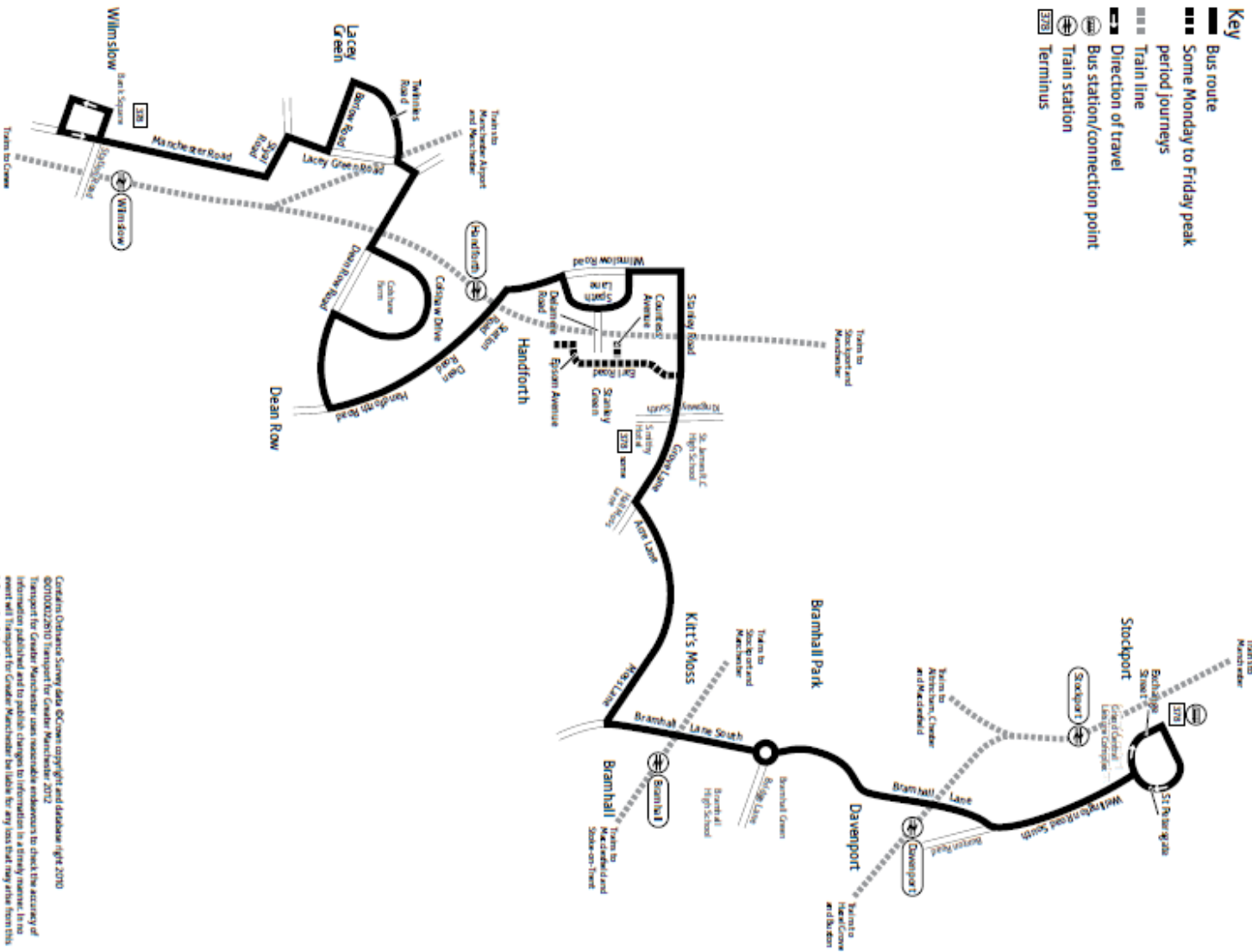
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MR	188 Manchester – Bradford – Gorton – Ryder Brow <i>M Travel</i>	<p>The construction of the East Manchester Metrolink Line has resulted in significant changes to the highway layout along the Ashton New Road / Manchester Road corridor including the recently introduced traffic restriction to ban the right turn from Ashton New Road into Edge Lane.</p> <p>As a result of this traffic restriction a lengthy diversion was required to serve Edge Lane. TfGM Officers considered Service 188 would be more suitable to serve Edge Lane rather than Service 171, which previously served Edge Lane. The additional running time required would have made the timetable of Service 171 unachievable, resulting in poor punctuality or the need to procure additional resource to operate the service.</p> <p>Therefore, with effect from Monday 3rd September 2012, Service 171 was revised to operate via Greenside Street and Service 188 was revised to operate via Edge Lane. This change was reported at the TfGMC Bus Network and TfGM Services Sub Committee meeting held on Friday 3rd August 2012.</p> <p>Service 188 surveys showed that less than one passenger per trip was travelling between Greenside Street and Manchester City Centre.</p> <p>After the introduction of the change local residents with the support of a local Councillor protested strongly over the change and requested that Service 188 was restored to its original route to restore the lost link between Greenside Street and Manchester City Centre.</p> <p>Usage of Service 188 was reviewed as a result of this request, with less than one passenger per trip travelling to / from Edge Lane it was felt appropriate to restore service 188 back to its former route, via Greenside Street.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Members are asked to note that: Service 188 was revised to operate via Greenside Street, restoring the link between Greenside Street and Manchester City Centre, with effect from Monday 29th October 2012. Edge Lane became unserved.</p> </div>

Dist	Service, route and operator	TfGM officer comments and recommendations
ST	378 Stockport – Bramhall – Grove Lane – Handforth - Wilmslow <i>Stagecoach Manchester</i>	<p>The hourly Monday to Saturday evening journeys and hourly Sunday daytime & evening journeys are operated under contract to TfGM with contribution from Cheshire East Council towards the cost of operating across the Greater Manchester boundary in Cheshire.</p> <p>TfGM officers have been informed that the Cheshire East Council contribution will cease from 28th January 2013. Surveys show an average of 19 passengers per trip, of those passengers 13 are travelling wholly within Greater Manchester and 3 are travelling wholly within Cheshire, with an average of 3 passengers per trip crossing the Cheshire / Greater Manchester boundary.</p> <p>The majority of passengers travelling wholly within Greater Manchester are making unique trips with no reasonable alternative service available.</p> <p>Officers would recommend that this evening service be curtailed to operate within Greater Manchester, between Stockport and Grove Lane only.</p> <p>The contract for Service 378 is due to expire 6th April 2013.</p> <p>Financial implications to the Subsidised Services budget will be shown in Part B of this meeting.</p> <div data-bbox="813 927 2056 1016" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to curtail Service 378 to operate within Greater Manchester, between Stockport and Grove Lane only.</p> </div>

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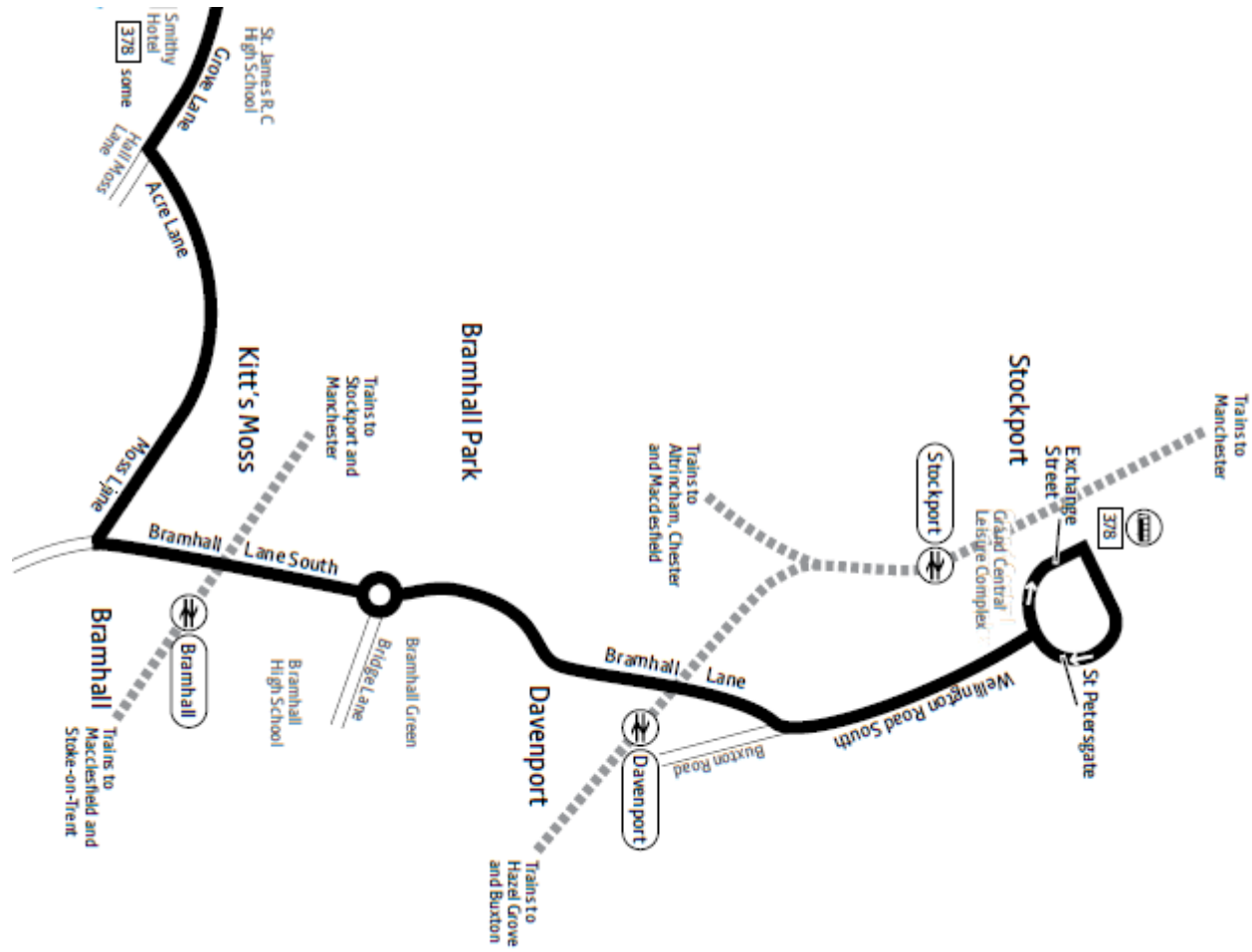
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Existing route

New route wholly within Greater Manchester



Dist	Service, route and operator	TfGM officer comments and recommendations
ST	390 Stockport – Stepping Hill – Poynton – Woodford – Bramhall <i>Stagecoach Manchester</i>	<p>Service 390 provides a Monday to Saturday off peak daytime service, operating 3 journeys from Stockport to Bramhall Village at 0935, 1135 and 1335 and 2 Journeys from Bramhall Village to Stockport at 1030 and 1230. This service also operates across the Greater Manchester and Cheshire boundary.</p> <p>Currently Cheshire East Council provides a contribution towards the cost of operating Service 390 across the Greater Manchester boundary into Cheshire. TfGM officers have been informed that this contribution will cease from 28th January 2013.</p> <p>TfGM officers are currently analysing passenger surveys and assessing the implication of the Cheshire East Council funding being withdrawn. The financial implication to the Subsidised Services budget will be shown in Part B of this meeting.</p> <p>TfGM officers are assessing the impact of removal of these journeys and will report progress verbally at the meeting.</p>
OM	400 Oldham Metroshuttle <i>Manchester Community Transport</i>	<p>Service 400 currently operates daily daytime, every 20 minutes, with last journey being 1618 hours</p> <p>TfGM officers received a request from Oldham Council, for additional late evening journeys on Oldham Metroshuttle, to enable connections to Metrolink, Oldham Bus Station and town centre during extended opening hours over the Christmas Shopping Period.</p> <p>The following additional evening journeys, every 20 minutes until 2018 hours, have been introduced to support late night Christmas shopping on Thursdays from 15th November 2012 to 17th December 2012, and Monday to Friday for five days from 17th December to 22nd December 2012. The financial implication to the Subsidised Service Budget is shown in Part B of this report.</p> <p>Members are asked to note the additional evening journeys introduced to support late night Christmas Shopping.</p>

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WN	597 Leigh Infirmary – Leigh Town Centre – Leigh Sports Village <i>Maytree Travel</i>	<p>The supported section of route, between Leigh Infirmary and Leigh Sports Village, on Service 597 operates every 30 minutes, daily daytime and Monday to Friday evenings.</p> <p>TfGM officers met with Local Councillors requesting improved bus service provision to Mosley Common in the evenings and on Sundays. In response officers are recommending that the Monday to Friday evenings and Sunday daytime Service 597 be extended to Boothstown operating along Mosley Common Road. As a result, the evening and Sunday service would reduce from every 30 minutes to hourly.</p> <p>Surveys have shown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An average of 2 passengers being carried across 7 round trips, an average of 0.29 passengers per round trip Monday to Friday evenings, and - A total of 14 passengers being carried across 16 round trips an average of 0.88 passengers per round trip Sunday daytime. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Members are asked to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the above recommendation to extend the Monday to Friday evening and Sunday daytime journeys on Service 597 beyond Leigh Infirmary to Boothstown. 2. Note that the Monday to Friday evening and Sunday daytime frequency will reduce from every 30 minutes to hourly. <p>If approved the changes would be effective from Sunday 30th December 2012.</p> </div>