



## ...on the Subsidised Bus Services Consultation Service 7 ABC (Mondays to Saturdays)

Borough of Poole faces a very challenging financial situation. Rising costs, increased demand for council services and cuts in government funding means we have to save around £19.9 million over the next three years to balance our budget.

As part of our efforts to save money, we are reviewing our budget for subsidising bus services. Most bus services in Poole operate without subsidy but those with fewer passengers require financial support from the council.

Last year we spent £598,000 subsidising bus services in the borough. We again need to review the provision of some subsidised journeys on certain Monday to Saturday day-time, Sunday and school bus routes.

We have identified some proposals that could bring potential savings of up to £93,000, with a target of at least £70,400. This includes £30,000 in savings that Go South Coast has identified that will not result in any changes to routes, prices or timetables.

This consultation is an opportunity to have your say on the proposals, let us know how any changes to the services may affect you, or your family and what you would do if the service is changed or removed. We'd also like to hear about any other suggestions about how we might minimise the impact should the proposal go ahead. The council will consider the results of the consultation when coming to a decision.

This service is one of a number that will be considered by the council for possible reduction or withdrawal. The services include:

- Service 7A/B/C
- Service 11 (Sunday service)
- Service 32
- Service 445
- Service H1

For information about the other proposals, please go to [www.poole.gov.uk/localbuses](http://www.poole.gov.uk/localbuses).

Please read and complete the questionnaire and return it to: Bus Subsidies Consultation, Corporate Research Team, FREEPOST RTKK-CCEE-CXUA, Borough of Poole, Civic Centre, Poole BH15 2RU by **Sunday 29 October 2017**. Alternatively, to save postage costs, you can use the on-line form, available on the website.

If you need any help completing the survey, have any queries or would like the survey in a different format, please contact the Passenger Transport and Sustainable Travel Team via email at [transportation@poole.gov.uk](mailto:transportation@poole.gov.uk).

The proposal/s for Service 7A/B/C are set out below.

Thank you in advance for taking part,

Passenger Transport and Sustainable Travel Team  
Borough of Poole

Please use a BLACK pen and write in BLOCK CAPITALS.

Put a cross in the box by your answer, for example

If you make a mistake, fill in the box fully and put a cross in the box you want.

If there are any questions that you do not wish to answer, please leave them blank.

## **Service 7 A/B/C Upper Parkstone – Alderney/Bloxworth Estate/Tower Park (Monday to Saturday)**

### **What are the Proposals?**

#### **Option 1: Remove the last two journeys from Upper Parkstone:**

- the 7A at 1715 to Alderney East via Albert Road and Rossmore Road (West).
- the 7B at 1635 to Bloxworth Estate via Albert Road and Rossmore Road (East).

This change would produce a saving of £4,000 per annum.

#### **Option 2: Withdraw the Saturday 7 A/B/C Service:**

This change would produce a saving of £12,000.

Please note that both options 1 and 2 could be implemented amounting in a saving of £16,000. Please use the feedback form to give us your views.

### **What is the current Service?**

The 7 A/B/C is a Monday to Saturday off-peak shopping circular Service with 4 journeys operating every 2 hours on Mondays to Saturdays. It serves the area to the north of Ashley Road, where the hills can make walking difficult.

## Service Timetable

### 7A Upper Parkstone – Alderney (Monday to Saturday)

(The Last journey at 1715 from Upper Parkstone Co-op is proposed to be removed under Option 1):

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Upper Parkstone Co-op	-	1115	1315	1515	<b>1715</b>
Albert Road Sunnyside Road	-	1120	1320	1520	<b>1720</b>
Rossmore Road The Tavern	-	1124	1324	1524	<b>1724</b>
Rossmore Road Trinidad House	-	1127	1327	1527	<b>1727</b>
Alderney East Evering Avenue	0933	1133	1333	1533	<b>1732</b>
Rossmore Road Trinidad House	0937	1137	1337	1537	-
Rossmore Road The Tavern	0939	1139	1339	1539	-
Albert Road Sunnyside Road	0943	1143	1343	1543	-
Upper Parkstone Conservative Club	0950	1150	1350	1550	-

### 7B Upper Parkstone – Bloxworth Estate (Monday to Saturday)

(The Last journey at 1635 from Upper Parkstone Co-op is proposed to be removed under Option 1):

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Upper Parkstone Co-op	1035	1235	1435	<b>1635</b>
Albert Road Sunnyside Road	1040	1240	1440	<b>1640</b>
Rossmore Road The Tavern	1044	1244	1444	<b>1644</b>
Bloxworth Estate Bloxworth Road	1049	1249	1449	<b>1649</b>
Alder Road Sainsbury's	1051	1251	1451	<b>1651</b>
Rossmore Arne Avenue	1053	1253	1453	<b>1653</b>
Rossmore Road The Tavern	1057	1257	1457	<b>1657</b>
Albert Road Sunnyside Road	1101	1301	1501	<b>1701</b>
Upper Parkstone Conservative Club	1108	1308	1508	<b>1708</b>
Upper Parkstone Salisbury Road	1109	1309	1509	<b>1709</b>
Upper Parkstone Co-op	1111	1311	1511	<b>1711</b>

### 7C Upper Parkstone – Tower Park (Monday to Saturday Service)

Upper Parkstone Conservative Club	0955	1155	1355	1555
Sea View	0959	1159	1359	1559
Rossmore Road Trinidad House	1005	1205	1405	1605
Tower Park arrive	1010	1210	1410	1610
Tower Park depart	1015	1215	1415	1615
Rossmore Road Trinidad House	1020	1220	1420	1620
Sea View	1027	1227	1427	1627
Upper Parkstone Co-op	1031	1231	1431	1631

## How many passengers may be affected?

Morebus have provided the following average passenger numbers on each day for the 7 ABC Service (August 2016 to July 2017):

Monday - 155 passengers  
Tuesday - 158 passengers  
Wednesday - 152 passengers  
Thursday - 155 passengers  
Friday - 166 passengers  
Saturday - 134 passengers

The consultation will help us find out more about how many people may be affected by the proposed changes, in what way and what actions, if any, could help people manage any changes to the Service/s if they are implemented.

## Subsidised Bus Service Reductions – Service 7 ABC (Mondays to Saturdays) Consultation Feedback Form

Please use this form to submit your feedback on the proposals for the local bus Service reductions and/or withdrawals. You can view the details of these proposals on the Council's website: [www.poole.gov.uk/localbuses](http://www.poole.gov.uk/localbuses). The information you provide will be treated in confidence and stored in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Please return this feedback form by **Sunday 29 October 2017**. Alternatively, to save postage costs, you can use the on-line form, available on the website.

Q1 **To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following proposals?** *Please select one option per row only.*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
<b>Option 1:</b> withdraw the 1715 journey on the 7A Service and the 1635 journey on the 7B Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Option 2:</b> to withdraw the Saturday 7A, 7B, and 7C Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Option 1: Remove the last two journeys from Upper Parkstone.** This change would produce a saving of £4,000 per annum.



Q7 What is the usual purpose of your journey on the 1635 7B Service? Please select one option only.

Commute to /  
from work

Shopping

Medical

Leisure/  
Social

Other (please  
write in  
below)

Q8 If the 1635 journey on the 7B Service was withdrawn what would you do instead? Please select one option only.

Doesn't  
affect me

Travel  
earlier

Car

Use a Taxi

Cycle

I would no  
longer  
travel for  
this purpose

Other  
(please  
write in  
below)

Q9 What impact would withdrawing the 1635 journey on the 7B Service have on you? Please write in below.

## Option 2: Withdraw the Saturday 7 A/B/C Service.

This change would produce a saving of £12,000.

### 7A/B/C Service

Q10 How often do you use the Saturday 7A/B/C Service? Please select one option only.

Weekly

Monthly

Less than  
once a month

Never

Don't know

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**Q11 What is the usual purpose of your journey on the Saturday 7A/B/C Service? Please select one option only.**

Commuter to /  
from work

Shopping

Medical

Leisure/  
Social

Other (please  
write in  
below)

**Q12 If the Saturday 7A/B/C Service was withdrawn what would you do instead? Please select one option only.**

Travel on a  
different  
day

Use  
alternative  
buses

Car

Use a Taxi

Cycle

I would no  
longer  
travel for  
this  
purpose

Other  
(please  
write in  
below)

**Q13 What impact would withdrawing the Saturday 7 A/B/C Service have on you? Please write in below.**

## Other Comments

**Q14 Is there anything that you think we have not considered? Please write in below.**



## About You

Q15 **Are you responding as:** *Please select all that apply.*

- A bus passenger affected by the proposed changes to the 7 A/B/C Service?  
 A bus passenger?  
 A bus passenger representative?  
 A Poole resident?  
 Other (please write in below)

Q16 **Are you :** *Please select one option only.*

- Male?                      Female?                      Other?                      Prefer not to say
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Q17 **To which age group do you belong?** *Please select one option only.*

- Under 19 yrs      19-34 yrs      35-49 yrs      50-64 yrs      65+ yrs      Prefer not to say
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Q18 **Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted or is expected to last at least 12 months?** *Please select one option only.*

- Yes, limited a lot      Yes, limited a little      No      Prefer not to say
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Q19 **Which of these groups do you consider you belong to?** *Please select only one box and write in below.*

- White British  
 Other White Background (please select and write in below)  
 Black or minority ethnic background (please select and write in below)  
 Other (please select and write in below)

Q20 **What is your postcode?** *Please write in. We need this to determine whether responses vary by area.*

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Thank you for taking part in this survey

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CXUA, Borough of Poole, Civic Centre, Poole BH15 2RU.