



Streetscene and Transportation

Bus Network Review

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Option 1 - Stop subsidising bus routes completely

- » All FCC revenue support for bus subsidies removed and leave only commercial bus services operating on routes that are financially viable.
- » The Local Authority has no control regarding the operation of commercial bus services
- » Rural areas and less populated areas of the County, including some larger housing estates, may not benefit from any bus service.
- » Possible reduction or removal of the Bus service support Grant.

Option 3 – Support the core bus network and implement local travel arrangements (LTAs) off the core network.

- » This option would involve maintaining the core bus network.
- » Linking communities to area hubs utilising smaller vehicles such as minibuses which operates just like a regular bus service running along a fixed route and to a scheduled timetable.
- » Less frequent than a standard bus service and would require passengers to adapt their travel needs to suit.
- » The smaller vehicle would better suit itself to rural transport for access via country roads or housing estates.

Option 2 – Support Current Routes Only

- » Leave the existing bus services in place as they are currently (with requirement to review timetables)
- » This option would not benefit those areas where a service does not currently operate.
- » There would be no alternative support should a commercial operator amend, reduce or withdraw their services in the future.
- » Would not take into account any recent changes made to the commercial network or longer-term developments and changes in land use or economic activity.

Option 4 -Support the core bus network and provide a demand responsive service off the core network.

- » This option would involve maintaining the core bus network.
- » Linking communities not on the core bus network on a demand responsive basis for transport to a main hub.
- » Passengers will be picked up and dropped off on a shared service, for which a fee is chargeable.
- » Transport will be provided when passengers require, and not wait for a scheduled service.
- » All of the area would have access to this form of transport. Currently, concessionary travel passes are not eligible on demand responsive services.