Bus Passenger News
March / April 2019

This newsletter provides information on forthcoming changes to local bus services in Essex.

A summary of each change is provided as it is not possible to publish every change in detail. 

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<td>Harlow Bus Station – Harlow (Potter Street) Arriva</td>
<td>Revised timetable and partial service withdrawal. Route between Potter Street and Epping withdrawn. Journeys will now start at 0602 from Potter Street and 0605 from Harlow Bus Station. Alternative services are available between Harlow and Epping.</td>
<td>03/03/2019</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>Colchester (North Station) – Circular (via Highwoods) Arriva</td>
<td>Revised timetable. Monday – Friday morning journeys from Severalls, Wyncolls Road will now depart at 0624 and every 20 minutes until 0724. Journeys from Colchester North Station will be at 1559 and every half an hour until 1925.</td>
<td>17/03/2019</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>Basildon – Purfleet NIBS Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable and route also a change of operator to Nibs Buses from First Essex Buses, due to Thurrock Council Tender Renewal. Service will operate via Fobbing, Corringham and Stanford-le-Hope.</td>
<td>31/03/2019</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>West Bergholt – Stanway School First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Route change. Service will now pick up and drop off in Braiswick with no changes to timetable.</td>
<td>28/04/2019</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>Walthamstow – Debden CT Plus</td>
<td>Change of operator from Go-Ahead to CT Plus. No change to route or timetable.</td>
<td>23/03/2019</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>Canvey – Basildon First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable. 1807 departure from Basildon Bus Station will depart 5 minutes earlier at 1802. Introduction of an 1826 departure from Basildon Bus Station.</td>
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| 26      | Hadleigh – Southchurch  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable and route change. Revised timetable for AM and PM peak journeys. The route has been extended to Newington Ave. | 28/04/2019 |
| 28      | Southend – Basildon  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable. 1840 journey from Basildon Bus Station is now withdrawn. 1548 journey from Hadleigh, The Memorial has also been withdrawn. | 28/04/2019 |
| 61      | Highwoods – Wivenhoe  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable. Minor changes made to improve reliability and extended evening service. | 28/04/2019 |
| 86      | Harlow – Circular (via Waltham Cross)  
*Arriva* | Revised timetable. The 0650 journey will now depart 15 minutes earlier at 0635 on school days only. | 03/03/2019 |
| 265     | Grays – Circular (via West Horndon)  
*Stephensons of Essex* | Change of operator to Stephensons of Essex from Trans-Vol. Service operated by Stephensons of Essex will run from West Horndon to Grays at 1001 and from Grays at 1200 and 1400. | 01/04/2019 |
| 339     | Shenfield Station – Epping Station  
*London Vintage Bus Hire* | Seasonal summertime timetable. Operates every Sat/Sun from 27 April 2019 to 20 October 2019 as well as on the following dates: May – 6, 27 and 31 June – 7 July – 19, 26 August – 2, 9, 16, 23, 26 and 30 September – 27 | 27/04/2019 |
| 352     | Halstead – Chelmsford  
*Hedingham* | Change of operator to Stephensons of Essex, under contract to Essex County Council. No changes to route or timetable. | 01/04/2019 |
| 374     | Grays – Basildon  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable and change of operator to Nibs Buses under contract to Thurrock Council. | 31/03/2019 |
| 424     | Harlow – Hertford  
*Trustybus* | Service withdrawn. Alternative service operates between Church Langley and Hertford | 20/04/2019 |
| 100-100X | Chelmsford – Lakeside  
*First Essex Buses* | Minor timetable changes to improve reliability. | 28/04/2019 |
| 200-200X | Basildon – Grays  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable to improve reliability Monday – Friday only. 0627 departure from Stanford le Hope Rail Station has been removed. | 28/04/2019 |
| 20-820  | Southend – Hullbridge  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable Monday - Friday only. 1820 from Hullbridge has been extended to Southend Travel Centre. 1721 from Southend Travel Centre has been withdrawn, 1731 from Southend Travel Centre has been retimed to 1729. | 28/04/2019 |
| 21-21B-822 | Southend – Canvey Island  
*First Essex Buses* | Revised timetable to improve reliability. New departure at 1640 from Southend Travel Centre. | 28/04/2019 |
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<td>25-825</td>
<td>Southend – Basildon First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable to improve reliability Monday – Friday only. 1503 &amp; 1733 from Basildon Bus Station have been extended to Southend Travel Centre. 1803 from Basildon Bus Station has been extended to Rayleigh Railway Station.</td>
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<td>27-27A-27X-827</td>
<td>Southend – Canvey Island First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable and route. Service 27 will now terminate at Southend Travel Centre. The extension to Hamstel Road is now served by service 26.</td>
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<td>418-418B-420-420A</td>
<td>Harlow – Loughton or Ongar (via Epping) Trustybus</td>
<td>Revised timetable.</td>
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<td>62-62A-62B</td>
<td>Colchester North Station – Brightlingsea First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable. Changes made to timetable to improve reliability and extended evening timetable.</td>
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<td>63-63A</td>
<td>West Mersea – Colchester Headingham Omnibus</td>
<td>Revised timetable. 0658 journey from Colchester Station to Berechurch withdrawn following ECC Consultation in 2018.</td>
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<td>75-75A</td>
<td>Colchester – Maldon First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable to improve punctuality. Will no longer serve University of Essex (will be served by the new service 75B. See below)</td>
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<td>75B</td>
<td>Central Colchester – University of Essex First Essex Buses</td>
<td>New service to replace the 75-75A service between Colchester and the University of Essex offering a half hourly service from 0745 at the University and 0815 from Osborne Street</td>
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<td>97-98</td>
<td>Walton-on-the-Naze – Colchester First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable to improve punctuality. Withdrawal of service 97A with all journeys becoming service 97.</td>
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<td>9-9A</td>
<td>Basildon – Brentwood First Essex Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable to improve reliability Monday – Friday only. New journey introduced at 0630 from Warley.</td>
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<td>X90</td>
<td>Lakeside, Belhus or Grays – Brentwood Ensign Buses</td>
<td>Revised timetable. Addition of a Monday - Friday 1420 journey from Grays to Brentwood and slight timetable changes to morning and evening journeys Monday – Friday only.</td>
<td>11/03/2019</td>
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<td>Z4</td>
<td>Tilbury (Amazon Depot) – Laindon Ensign Buses</td>
<td>Revised route and timetable from 11 March. The 0540 departure from Basildon Bus Station will now depart at 0547. The service will now operate via Corringham and Chadwell St Mary. Route and timetable change from 22 April. Service to terminate at Pitsea Broadway instead of Laindon Railway Station.</td>
<td>11/03/2019 &amp; 22/04/2019</td>
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Local Bus Consultation – 1 Week To Go!

Essex County Council (ECC) is reviewing the way it supports local bus services which operate on evenings and Sundays and is carrying out a public consultation. The consultation also includes proposals regarding delivering ECC services differently and devolving ECC funded local bus services to communities.

The consultation will run until Friday 22 March 2019. Please visit the web site www.essex.gov.uk/local-bus-consultation. A copy of the consultation is also available from ECC libraries or by phoning: 03457 430430. If you have any queries, please contact passenger.transport@essex.gov.uk.

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