

## **Bus Strategy for Shropshire 2011 - 2016 - Consultation**

Shropshire Council will face some difficult decisions in the short and medium term as financial pressures increase on the budget for the provision of supported local bus services. This will affect the delivery and sustainability of bus services in all areas of the County. Shropshire Council must ensure that the money it has available is targeted at bus services which are **essential** in enabling people to go about their daily lives.

The bus strategy defines the principles and priorities on which the local bus network will be provided over the next 5 years and meets the Council and Communities objective of a flourishing Shropshire.

Shropshire Council is consulting with people across Shropshire about proposed changes to local bus services. These changes are laid out in the Bus Strategy for Shropshire Council 2011 – 2016.

The consultation will be undertaken during January to March 2011. Comments from the consultation process will be considered in the final Bus Strategy which will be submitted to the Council in April 2011.

The Strategy and details on how to respond to the consultation can be viewed at;

**<http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation>**

In addition we are holding a series of consultation events where council officers will be available to answer any comments on the bus strategy and record any comments in response to the consultation. Please find provisional dates of these events below. It is unlikely that these dates will change but please instruct any one wishing to attend to keep an eye on local press.

## **Local Transport Plan for Shropshire Consultation**

The bus strategy forms part of a wider Local Transport Plan (LTP) which covers all aspects of Transport and Highways. We are currently consulting on a new LTP which sets out our policies and priorities for the next 15 years. LJC's, the public and stakeholders can get involved by:

Completing a simple web based survey on spending priorities available now at **<http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation>**

Commenting on the draft LTP which includes area based strategies, which will be available in mid January at **<http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation>**

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