

# TRANSPORT NEWS AUGUST 2021

## BUSES

**The Maiden Newton Ring and Ride service (01305 228965), is run by Dorset Council's passenger services, to Dorchester on Tuesdays and Thursdays.** The bus leaves Maiden Newton Old School at 1000, returning from Trinity Street at 1300. Ring before 15.00 on Monday or Wednesday to book and to learn of the bus service to which you have been allocated. These buses will start from **Cattistock Square** by request at booking. Fares £2.50 single £5 return.

**Dorset Community Transport (01258 287980),** a private company, also offer 2 services from Maiden Newton each week and a third twice a month. To use any of these services you must be registered with the Company and then book your seat, and arrange your pick up point, before 1430 on the day before you want to travel. Each adult return fare is £6 on all 3 services. **DCT now accepts the national concessionary bus passes.**

**Every Wednesday to Dorchester** The bus, from Broadwindsor to Dorchester, passes through Maiden Newton about 10.00. The return service leaves Trinity Street at 13.20. Ring by 14.30 on Tuesdays to book your seat and confirm your pick up point.

**Thursdays 12 and 26 to Yeovil** The bus leaves the Dorchester Road stop at 09.30, the War Memorial at 09.32 and Cattistock at 9.39. The drop off point is close to M&S and the return service leaves from the same place at 12.30. Book by 14.30 on Wednesday and confirm your pick up point. Pickups can be arranged at Frome St Quintin or Evershot.

**Every Friday to Bridport** The bus leaves the War Memorial at 09.15 and the return service leaves Bridport about 12.30. Book by 14.30 on Thursdays and confirm your pick up point.

## **USE YOUR BUSES IF YOU WANT TO KEEP THEM**

**TRAINS** GWR are presently maintaining the full advertised service but there may have to be cancellations due to COVID-19 staff absences. Please check before you plan to travel.

### **From Maiden Newton to Dorchester and Weymouth**

#### **Monday to Friday**

0757 1037 1138 1336 1643 1838 1943 2238

#### **Saturdays**

0753 1032 1105 1135 1335 1634 1937 2242

#### **Sundays**

1018 1132 1525 1937 2243

### **From Maiden Newton to Yeovil, Westbury, Bath and Bristol**

#### **Monday to Friday**

0551 0707 0915 1140 1338 1527 1748 2041

#### **Saturdays**

0704 0912 1136 1336 1636 1754 2046

#### **Sundays**

0830 1129 1433 1635 1819 2034

There are major engineering works around Bristol Temple Meads from Sat 10 July to 3 Sept. From 7 August there may be buses from Bath Spa to Bristol Temple Meads. Through out the period trains to Gloucester will be rerouted from Westbury as will the Cardiff Portsmouth service.

## **Country Cars**

**Rachael Clark (01300 320065)** continues to take bookings requesting help with transport to the surgery, hospital appointments, dentists, opticians. During the period that I took over from Rachael, 68 patients were carried by our drivers. Thank you for all your help.

If you are interested in becoming a Country Car Driver please contact me for details on 320969. Sally Falkingham- Maiden Newton & Frome Valley Parish Councils Transport Representative.