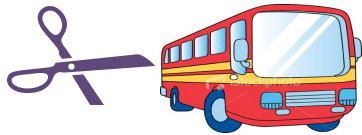


# Big Cuts to Shropshire



## Buses

**No services after 7pm anywhere**  
**No Sunday services anywhere**  
**Half of daytime inter-town services cut**

Shropshire Council is planning to remove the subsidy from many of Shropshire's bus services - town and rural. This will almost certainly mean the end of those services.

**Every town is affected:** Bishops Castle, Bridgnorth, Church Stretton, Craven Arms, Ellesmere, Ludlow, Market Drayton, Minsterley, Much Wenlock, Oswestry, Shrewsbury, Wem, Whitchurch.

**Affected routes:** 1, 8A, 20, 25, 26, 63, 64, 70, 120, 132, 201, 202, 216, 217, 341, 342, 435, 436, 492, 501, 511, 524, 540, 552, 553, 576, 715, 731, 755, 815, Park & Ride.

Your bus service gives you freedom and independence to get out: to work, visit family, go shopping, chill out with friends, go swimming, to cinema, to the hospital, and home again.

Are these things important to you?

The bus you are travelling on is under threat – not just for 2011, but under the Council's proposal for the next 5 years. If you value your service write/email the cabinet member who's responsible for these proposed cuts (see overleaf how to do this).

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You can read the Council's plans here:

[http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/traveltransport.nsf/viewAttachment/s/CFaw-8D9GEP/\\$file/Bus-strategy-summary.pdf](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/traveltransport.nsf/viewAttachment/s/CFaw-8D9GEP/$file/Bus-strategy-summary.pdf)

Yet Shropshire Council doesn't have to cut the bus service subsidy. Herefordshire found ways around it.

**Now is the time to have your say...**

Complete the survey <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2R8HPYV>

Why not tell them you object to the planned cut in Council subsidy, and how cutting your bus service will affect your life?

Email the council cabinet member for transport, Councillor [Martin.taylor-smith@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:Martin.taylor-smith@shropshire.gov.uk).

Email the leader of the opposition, Councillor [Alan.mosley@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:Alan.mosley@shropshire.gov.uk).

Email your local county councillor, find a list at

<http://shropsdemserv.web.coop/CommitteeServices/ShropshireCouncillors>

Or write a short letter to:

Councillor Martin Taylor-Smith, 9 Mill Street, Ludlow SY8 1AZ  
Councillor Alan Mosley, 11 Queen Street, Shrewsbury SY1 2JY

**Public meeting Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March. 2pm (finish 4pm)**

Transition Town Shrewsbury, in association with Ludlow21, is organising a public meeting to **Save our Shropshire buses** (speaker Prof Lumsdon, Director Institute of Transport Tourism) in the Gateway Centre, Chester Street, Shrewsbury SY1 1NB (two minutes' walk from bus and train stations. Park & Ride stop)

Transition Town volunteers are working to help their town face up to the challenge of climate change and life without cheap oil. We want to set up a **Bus Users Group** for Shropshire, with route champions, to help protect, support and develop bus use in our county. Find out more:

[www.transitiontownshrewsbury.org.uk](http://www.transitiontownshrewsbury.org.uk)

[www.ludlow21.org.uk](http://www.ludlow21.org.uk)