

Changes to Bus Services: Autumn 2013

For details of changes to Brighton & Hove Buses' services 1 – 55 and 81 please see the information supplied by the company (attached).

Brighton & Hove Buses Service 72 Whitehawk – Longhill School From 2 September 2013

This service is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

All three morning journeys will run 5 minutes earlier, to improve reliability.

Brighton & Hove Buses Service 74 Lewes Road – Lower Bevendean – Coldean – Patcham High School From 2 September 2013

This service is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

The usual range of tickets will now be issued and accepted on this service, including Saver tickets.

Brighton & Hove Buses Services 77/78/79

Services 77, 78 and 79 'Breeze up to the Downs' services between Brighton and Devil's Dyke, Stanmer Park and Ditchling Beacon From 1 October 2013

'Breeze up to the Downs' Services 77, 78 and 79 are funded and managed by Brighton & Hove City Council, with contributions from The National Trust and the South Downs National Park Authority.

Service 77 to Devil's Dyke will run hourly on Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays. This is the usual autumn/winter pattern of service.

Saturday services will be added to the 78 and 79 routes to Stanmer Park and Ditchling Beacon for the first time during an autumn/winter season. This has been made possible by a successful bid for funding from the 2 Parks Local Sustainable Transport Fund.

As a result, the entire Breeze network (services 77, 78 and 79) will run every weekend throughout the year, offering much greater choice for walkers and everyone who enjoys spending time in the South Downs on the city's doorstep.

Brighton & Hove Buses Service 81C
Meadowview – Queens Park – City Centre – Hove Station – Goldstone Valley (Sundays)
From 15 September 2013

This service is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

Brighton & Hove Buses have extended the 6.23pm journey from Meadowview so that it continues beyond Hove Station to Goldstone Valley, at no additional cost to the council. This provides a later 'last bus' on Sunday evenings.

Brighton & Hove Buses Service 91
Coombe Road – Hollingdean – Fiveways – Cardinal Newman School
From 2 September 2013

This service is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

Service 91 will be extended to serve Ovingdean and Woodingdean. The bus will start from Greenways at 7.16am, running via Ainsworth Avenue, Longhill Road, Ovingdean Road, Falmer Road, Cowley Drive, Bexhill Road, Langley Crescent (7.30am), Falmer Road, Warren Road (7.35am), Bear Road, Bevendean Road, Eastbourne Road, Baden Road and Coombe Road – then the existing route and times from Lewes Road to Cardinal Newman School.

Brighton & Hove Buses Service 96
Patcham – Westdene – Blatchington Mill & Hove Park Lower Schools
From 2 September 2013

This service is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

The usual range of tickets will now be issued and accepted on this service, including Saver tickets.

NB: For details of changes to all other Brighton & Hove Bus Company services please see separate information supplied by the company (attached).

Compass Services 16 and 66

16: Portslade – Knoll Estate – Hangleton & Hangleton Valley Drive
66: Portslade – Knoll Estate – Hangleton - Sainsbury's – Portslade
From 16 September 2013

These services are funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

Services 16 and 66 have been experiencing increasing traffic delays in the Portslade area. Reliability of the service has declined and there have been complaints from people who have suffered inconvenience. As a result, the city council and Compass Travel have agreed essential timetable changes which should allow the services to run reliably. There are no changes to the morning peak timetable, but extra 'recovery' time will be added to many off-peak journeys, which means that most journeys will run at different times to now.

The new timetable from 16 September can be found at www.compass-travel.co.uk and will be published in the new edition of Bus Times – or phone (01273) 292480 if you would like a copy of the 16/66 timetable sent by post.

Metrobus Service 273

Brighton – Hurstpierpoint – Hickstead - Handcross – Crawley
From 14 September 2013

Owing to major roadworks on the A23 and the closure of the Handcross junction, service 273 will be diverted via Staplefield between Warninglid (Five Cross Roads) and Handcross. Buses will serve the Red Lion stop in Handcross in both directions and there will be minor timetable changes.

The Big Lemon Service 52

(Woodingdean – Ovingdean – Brighton Marina)
From 16 September 2013

This service is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council.

The route of the 52 bus, which is the only service to Ovingdean and Downs Valley Road in Woodingdean, is to be extended.

Following the recent consultation with residents of Woodingdean and Ovingdean, all the 52s will now travel on to the city centre, serving the Royal Sussex County Hospital, the Old Steine area, and (at peak commuter times) Brighton Station. To make this possible, the frequency of the buses will change to every 90 minutes, instead of every hour. The 52 bus route will continue to serve Brighton Marina, except during the morning peak.

Brighton & Hove City Council asked residents their views on three options; to provide peak time buses to the city centre with two continuing to the station, with no buses to the Marina at peak times; all journeys provided to the city centre, with some peak time buses also continuing to the station which would mean services every 90 minutes instead of every hour and not serving the Marina in the morning peak; or no change.

The results were as follows: 31% chose the option of peak time buses to the city centre; 37% opted for every bus to go to the city centre, but with reduced frequency and 32% voted for no change. This means that of the 242 people who responded, two thirds voted for the route to be extended.

The Big Lemon were awarded the contract for the 52 bus route, which is funded by Brighton & Hove City Council, in September 2012. The new timetable from 16 September can be found at www.thebiglemon.com and will be published in the new edition of Bus Times – or please phone (01273) 292480 for a copy.

theSussexBus.com Service 33

Brighton – Hurstpierpoint – Hassocks – Burgess Hill – Haywards Heath From 2 September 2013

Service 33 will terminate at Old Steine and will no longer serve Churchill Square. The 4.14pm and 5.14pm journeys from Old Steine will additionally serve Princess Royal Hospital in Haywards Heath.

There will be minor timetable changes.

theSussexBus.com Service 40

Brighton – Hassocks – Burgess Hill – Haywards Heath – Cuckfield From 2 September 2013

Service 40 will run direct between Cuckfield and Haywards Heath and will no longer serve Bolnere Village. Service 39 provides a link between Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath and Bolnere Village.

The 6.35am journey from Old Steine (Monday to Friday) will be extended to Cuckfield.

The 7.15am journey from Old Steine (Monday to Friday) will be extended to start from Churchill Square at 7.20am and will run approximately 10 minutes later throughout, also serving Princess Royal Hospital at 8.17am.

There will be other minor timetable changes to service 40.