

# **HAVE YOUR SAY – PROPOSED CHANGES TO BUS SERVICES 4, 5, 6 & 7**



**Bristol City Council is faced with the need to identify savings in its budget for local bus services. An analysis of bus service costs, usage and the availability of alternative services has been undertaken. This suggests that the Monday to Saturday evening, and Sunday and Public Holiday (all day) journeys, on services 4, 5, 6 and 7 could be reduced in frequency or withdrawn whilst minimising hardship to existing users. If, following this consultation, the Council decides to implement changes to these services, changes would be introduced from 13 September 2009.**

**Two options are currently under consideration:**

- 1. Withdraw all evening and Sunday/Public Holiday journeys on services 5 and 7; or**
- 2. Reduce the evening and Sunday/Public Holiday frequency on services 4, 5, 6 and 7 from half-hourly to hourly.**

**In the case of Option 1, most passengers could access alternative services albeit with a longer walk. However, for those mobility impaired passengers for whom this would not be possible, it is also proposed to provide a Monday to Friday evening service on Bristol Dial-a-Ride in order to minimise the impact. Such a service would be available for any Bristol residents registered with Bristol Dial-a-Ride and for journeys anywhere within the area served by the Bristol bus network, not just in those areas served by the withdrawn services. As Dial-a-Ride does not currently operate during the day on Saturday or Sunday, an evening service on these days is not proposed.**

**The Council wants to hear the views of passengers on these proposals, specifically:**

- what inconvenience or hardship these proposal will cause you or persons for whom you are the parent or carer;**
- whether you have a preference for one of the options.**

To comment on the proposals please either:

- send an e-mail with the title “Consultation” to [publictransport@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:publictransport@bristol.gov.uk); or
- write your comments in the box below (and on an additional sheet if required) and send it to:

Public Transport and Park & Ride (CD/BH)  
FREEPOST BS6529  
BRISTOL  
BS1 5BR

**Please note that the Council needs to receive all comments by no later than Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2009.**

Comments: