

# COMMUNITY BUS

A weekly bus - every Thursday. Collecting passengers from outside their houses. Commencing 9.45am and returning around noon.

We collect passengers **throughout** the parish - whichever road they live in.

Fare was £2 return.

Passenger numbers will vary week to week. One week we could have 10 and another week it may be half that.

If we have too many passengers for one trip then we make two trips.

The bus is for every adult in the community not just senior citizens.

Disabled passengers are welcome (there is a wheelchair lift but it will not be able to take motorised or battery wheelchairs.)

Child-seat laws prevent us from allowing children of any age on the bus.

The regular passengers have had to rely on family (who are not local) to do their shopping for them during lockdown.

The service was always very much appreciated by the passengers - some of elderly ones do say that their confidence is low since lockdown and to go out on our bus would be a good step towards independent travelling again.

The bus doesn't just offer being able to shop for essentials but also banks, post office, hairdressers, barber, cafe, other shops - not just Asda.

It allows those passengers who live alone a chance to socialise for a short time each week.

The crew consists of 2 drivers and 3 couriers who work on a rota basis. All are willing to resume their voluntary roles.

Debbie is willing to be the 'booking clerk' again, also a voluntary role.