

The loss of the 38 bus service in Keynsham South means that after 7.35am onwards on weekdays residents cannot travel directly to Bath. This is going to add between 10 and 25 minutes to their trip each way. **A reduction in fare for such a degradation in service is required.** We find it surprising that B&NES Council is prepared to cut off direct links with so many of their residents.

The direct service 19a that runs from Lays Farm at 07.03 and 07.30 does not visit the Bilbie garden estate so Bilbie garden residents have no direct services to Bath at all. **We propose that the 19a visits Bilbie Green.** The returning times of the 19a from Bath in the afternoon are 15.45, 16.55 and 18.15 respectively. The time of 16.55 appears very inconvenient for people finishing at 17.00.

The key to successful public transport is a frequent service and low fares **and increasing public transport** is a key part of pollution reduction and a greener environment. In Keynsham we are going backwards.

In the page of buses in Keynsham published in the Week and attached, I note that the Chandag Estate is not mentioned at all. That is a complete ward holding one third of Keynsham population!

The current 2 hourly service from Keynsham East to the High Street is not frequent enough to attract usage and we ask for assistance and advice in bringing a successful community bus service into operation.

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