

David Redgewell - Public statement

On the journey to Net zero we still need funding for bus services in the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority.

Which will require funding beyond October 2022

The Welsh government is putting in £ 48 million in to bus service in Wales .

Bus services have now reached about 70% 75 % of pre covid 19 levels in Bath and Bristol city region and Less in Somerset at 60 % 65 % in rural Somerset and part of Banes .

So with the west of England mayoral combined Authority funding and subsidies from Bristol, Bath and South Gloucestershire for the support services.

85 routes .

The west of England mayoral combined transport Authority and North Somerset council. are planning a service review

Of the Network to start in October

But with most of the New Network starting in April 2022 .

It is very important that the journey to net zero forum is part of the Review.

The mayor and his staff and operators should have 30 at that meeting to explain the proposal.

The policy scrutiny or climate change commission should invite the mayor and the bus operator Stagecoach west.

First group plc west of England

Hct group favesaver Rapt Bath bus company small operator.

This has successfully happened at South Gloucestershire council scrutiny commission.

But we still need to push the Department for Transport and Baroness Vere of Norborton and Grant Shapps secretary of state for Transport for bus and local coach funding with western gateway Transport Board and South west Transport Board and the MPs .

Fare box issue.

Whilst we have a number of operators in the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority and North Somerset area .

It's very important that the Tap on Tap off Tickets include.

The Bath Rider.

Weston super mare rider .

Bristol rider.

Avon Rider .

Freedom passe

Bus and rail services

And a new rider tickets for Thornbury, Yate and Chipping Sodbury and Clevedon and Portishead.

We need a driver recruitment campaign

And Days out by bus and public transport campaign. Free Travel days like North Somerset.

For Greater Bristol Sundays .

Banes and Mendip.

South Gloucestershire and the Cotswolds.

With buses operated by Hct group favesaver Rapt Bath bus company Stagecoach South west and west and First group.

We need urgent marketing campaign with First group west of England,

Faresaver buses , Stagecoach west

And First group Great Western railway.

To win passenger back onto Bath and Somerset bus Network.

On co production with the metro mayor Dan Norris and his staff plus North Somerset council.

We need to Work on the sustainable transport corridor Between.

Bath spa bus and coach station, Weston. Newbridge, saltford, keynsham Bristlington, Arnos vale, Bristol Temple meads station Bristol bus and coach station.

Bath spa bus and coach station,

Peasdown st john Radstock midsomer Westfield midsomer Norton paulton shepton mallet interchanges chilcompton and wells bus and coach station.

Bristol bus and coach station, Bristol Temple meads station, knowle, Hengrove whitchurch ,pensford, Clutton, Farrington Gurney Clutton chewton mendip wells bus and coach station, Glastonbury and street.

As well as working with the New unity Somerset council mendip District council to begin with.

On Rail we need to make progress on Bristol Temple meads to Westbury .

Via keynsham Salford new station oidfiled park ,Bath spa, Freshford Avoncliff ,Bradford on Avon Trowbridge Westbury warminster or Frome.

We need to make progress on metro west half hourly services.

With the West of England mayoral combined transport Authority.

Kind regards David Redgewell.