

ROAD TRANSPORT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Committee Meeting

Minutes of a public meeting of the Road Transport Licensing Committee ("the Committee" or "the RTLCL") held at 13:21 on Tuesday 10th January 2023 in the Silverdale Boardroom at Thie Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road, St John's.

Present: Mr G Curphey (Chair)
Miss M Norman (Vice Chair)
Mr C Kniveton
Mr M Devereau
Mr J McBride

In attendance: Mr NC Capewell (Secretary)
Mr SM Callister (Project Co-ordinator)

The meeting commenced at 13:21

Bus Vannin – Section 25 Regular Service Licence ("RSL") Variation Applications

The Secretary advised that there were four applications to vary RSLs.

RSL No. 02/08 – Services 1, 1A, 1H, 2, 2A, 11, 11A, 12, 12A, N1

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Willaston/Hailwood Avenue/Birch Hill and Port Erin/Port St Mary via the Airport & Castletown (11, 11A).
- Nobles Hospital/Hailwood Avenue and Port Erin/Port St Mary via the Airport & Castletown (1, 1A, 1H).
- Onchan, Ballachrink and Port Erin/Port St Mary via the Airport & Castletown (2, 2A).
- Douglas and Port Erin/Port St Mary (N1).

The service currently operates;

- On Mondays to Saturdays between the Promenades, Central Douglas and Port Erin at least every 20 minutes during the day, 30 minutes during the early evening and hourly during the later evening.
- On Sundays it operates every 20 minutes, with slightly reduced early morning and evening frequency.
- Night Owl (N1) journeys only operate on Friday and Saturday nights.

To operate the service by making the following amendment;

- The 17:20 (Lord Street) to Port Erin service 1 (via Colby) journey will be operated as a service 11A journey via Shore Road.

Why is the variation required?

- Between 16:50 and 17:50 the frequency from Douglas is every 15 minutes and there are currently three journeys via Colby and one via Shore Road. This then gives journeys every 30 minutes to both Colby and Shore Road.

RSL No. 02/19 – Services 3, 3A, 3B, N3, X3

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Douglas and Ramsey via Laxey.

The service currently operates;

- Between Douglas and Ramsey via Laxey – operating every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime and hourly evenings and Sundays (3, 3A, X3).
- Night Owl (N3) journeys only operate on Friday and Saturday nights.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- A slight retiming between timetable points – no change to overall times.
- A change of 08:00 Ramsey to Douglas journey from 3A to 3 (via St Ninian's instead of Victoria Road).
- Additional Fridays and Saturdays journey at 2140 from Douglas to Ramsey.

To operate the service by making the following amendment;

- The current 07:30 schooldays service 3 journey will now operate at 07:40.

Why is the variation required?

- The service has been re-timed in the Onchan/Willaston area due to operational experience and to eliminate potential early running.

RSL No. 02/22 – Services 16, 16A, 16B, 17K, 18K, 19C, 20, 20A

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Ramsey and Maughold, Mondays to Fridays only.
- Ramsey and Jurby/Andreas/Bride.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- A current 08:40 schooldays service 20A journey will now operate via the Kimmeragh Road between Bride and Andreas – not via Smeale.
- A current 08:40 schooldays service 16B journey will now operate direct from Dhoon School to Ramsey and not via Maughold.

Why are the variations required?

- The journey operates primarily to transport pupils to Andreas School and there have been no pupils boarding on the Coast Road/Smeale section of the route during this school year.
- There has been no patronage on this journey from an area already covered by the ConnectVillages service.

RSL No. 02/44 – Services 21, 21A, 21B and 21H

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Central Douglas and Anagh Coar/Farm Hill via Pulrose & Spring Valley (21) with some journeys extending to IoM Business Park (21B) or extending to Nobles Hospital (21H).

To operate the service by making the following amendment;

- The Mondays to Saturdays 17:35 departure from Lord Street, Douglas will now operate at 17:40.

Why is the variation required?

- Operational experience.

The Committee considered the applications for all of the RSL variations and unanimously decided to approve them.

Urgent Matters as Approved by the Chair

There were no other urgent matters that had not previously been discussed. As a result, the public meeting closed at 13:40.

The minutes were signed by the Chair Mr G Curphey on 23rd January 2024

Noel Capewell
Secretary
Road Transport Licensing Committee