

## Important information to keep you safe on journeys

Until we let you know otherwise, the following precautions continue....

- **Don't attend if you've been told to self-isolate by Track and Trace.**
- **Don't get on the bus if you feel unwell**, have a temperature or a continuous cough. Call us on 01952 881145 to cancel your seat.
- **Hand sanitiser** is provided. You must use it **before** you get on the bus. You'll need to do this every time you get on.
- **Face coverings** must be worn throughout the journey. The driver may have spare face masks for you to buy for 40p if you don't have one - please ask us when you call to book your journey.
- **Sit in the same seat** on your return journey.

# AGM

### Wednesday 15 September, 2pm

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at the Birchmeadow Centre, with a light afternoon tea provided. We'd love you to join us! Notices for the AGM are enclosed with this newsletter. Please **call us by Wednesday 8 September to confirm** you'll be attending.

## Volunteer drivers urgently needed!

As some of you may have experienced, we're sometimes having to say no to your journey requests. We really hate saying no and not being able to help. Unfortunately though, we have a limited number of volunteers so we're trying to recruit more.



**Do you have a neighbour, friend or family that may be interested in volunteering?** Please suggest the idea and ask them to call us on **01952 881145** or send us an email at [info@friendlybus.co.uk](mailto:info@friendlybus.co.uk). They can also find our contact details on our website. Certified training is available.

Please ask family and friends first to see if they can take you to your appointment, before calling us. We recommend you call us as soon as you can, to give us the best chance of finding a volunteer to help. We'll always do our best to help, if we can.



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## September 2021 Newsletter

### We're glad you're enjoying all the trips!

Thank you for all your positive feedback about our trips. We understand how lonely and boring self-isolation was, so we've really tried hard to put on as many trips as we can this year. We love hearing your comments and seeing your photos. If you have a photo to share, you can send it to us at [info@friendlybus.co.uk](mailto:info@friendlybus.co.uk).



Everyone had a fabulous time at the **British Ironwork Centre & Shropshire Sculpture Park** in August. Thanks to our volunteer drive, Peter for taking this brilliant photo, its wonderful to see all your smiles!



## Regular bus journeys

Your seat must be booked in advance on a first come first served basis. **Call us on 01952 881145** to book your place.

Let us know if there's been a change to your mobility if you'll need more help, use walking aids or a wheelchair. If there's enough people on a waiting list for any trip, we'll add another bus if we can.

### **Tuesdays 9:00 to 12:30: Shopping trip to Madeley, £4**

Pickup from Broseley and Much Wenlock, stopping at Aldi, Lidl, Tesco and Poundstretcher.

### **Tuesdays 9:00 to 1:00: Much Wenlock High Street**

(£2 pickup from Much Wenlock, £3 pickup from Broseley).

### **Fridays 9:00 to 1:00: Shopping trip to Telford, £5**

Pickup from Broseley and Much Wenlock, drop offs at Lawley, Telford Shopping Centre, the Forge Retail Parks (Sainsburys and Argos), and Wrekin Retail Park (Tesco).

## Regular clubs - call us if you need help getting there!

### **Cinema club: Tuesday 21 September, 2:30pm - Little Women**

The film chronicles the lives of sisters post civil-war, who ultimately reunite. £2 bus fare. Call or text **0759 882 7136** to book in advance.

### **Bingo at Broseley Social Club, every Thursday**

Pick up 6:30pm, 50p admission.

### **Jackfield Monday Club, Mondays 6th and 20th September.**

Pick up 1pm, £2.

### **Let's Get Together, Friday 3 September.**

Pick up 13:40pm, £2.

**Mondays 10:00 - 10:45, FREE Swimming at Much Wenlock Leisure Centre. Pick up 9:35am at Broseley Library.** (Starts 6 September). Exclusive use, funded by the Socially Active grant.

**Please call us to book your place, even if you're not using the bus and you're making your own way there.**

Call us on 01952 881145 between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday, or leave a message any other time. Email [info@friendlybus.co.uk](mailto:info@friendlybus.co.uk)

## SEPTEMBER - Leisure and Socially Active trips!

**Book onto our trips from 10am Wednesday 1 September.**

Understandably, our trips are very popular so we need to be fair and allow time for everyone to receive their newsletter before taking bookings.



### **Ludlow, Saturday 4 September, £5, pick up 9:30am**

Visit the historic town or 11th century castle. Ludlow is famous for quality food and drink, with many cafes and restaurants to choose from!



### **British Ironwork Centre & Shropshire Sculpture Park - Pick up 9am, Wednesday 8 September. FREE transport, admission to be confirmed on booking.**

A return trip, as popularly requested after a thoroughly fabulous time in August! Browse the showroom and outdoor sculpture park before eating in the café. Scenic setting, near Oswestry.



### **Shrewsbury - pick up 9am on Wednesday 22 July, £5**

Drop off at the historic Shrewsbury High Street lined with Tudor buildings, The Range store at Harlescott and Meole Brace where you can find Argos, Next, Sainsburys, M&S Food Hall and TK Maxx.



### **Mere Park Garden Centre, Newport - pick up 9:30am, Monday 27 September FREE (funded by socially active grant)**

Independently owned garden centre over 12 acres. Brands include Edinburgh Woollen Mill, The Works, Maidenhead Aquatics, Whitestores. A café is on site serving cooked breakfasts, main meals, carvery and hot or cold snacks or a Beefeater restaurant is next to the garden centre.

## Pop-up market, 26 September, Broseley High Street

*Broseley Bounces Back* is a collection of events to help support local businesses and bring the community together again using funding kindly donated by Shropshire Council. Friendly Bus is organising these events. If you'd like help getting to the market, you can book the bus! Call us by 1pm on Thursday 23 September.

