

Proposed changes to the bus network in the Dover, Deal and Sandwich areas

Stagecoach are currently reviewing the local bus network with a view to making changes to bus routes and timetables in September 2017.

It's proposed that most bus routes across the Dover/Deal area will change following a detailed analysis of the current bus network. The following summary highlights the main proposals area by area.

Aycliffe

Minor adjustments to the route 61 timetable with some poorly used journeys being withdrawn.

Buckland

Route 60A will be withdrawn. Route 62 will have a revised timetable.

Kearsney/Temple Ewell

Route 15B will be withdrawn but route 15 will provide a 20 minute service along London Road between Canterbury and Dover. There will be no change to route 68. Lower Road will be served by route 89A approximately every two hours. The frequency of route 91 will be enhanced to hourly for most of the day on weekdays.

Maxton

There will be no change to route 68. Routes 100, 101 and 102 will provide a 20 minute frequency along Folkestone Road on weekdays, and half-hourly on Sundays.

River

The current 15B and 60A routes will be withdrawn. River will instead be served by routes 89, 89A, 90 and 91, providing a 20 minute frequency to and from Dover town centre on weekdays, and hourly on Sundays.

St Radigund's

The current routes 60 and 60A will be withdrawn. St Radigund's will instead be served by routes 89, 89A, 90 and 91, providing a 20 minute frequency to and from Dover town centre on weekdays, and hourly on Sundays.

Tower Hamlets/Elms Vale

There will be minor changes to the route 63 timetable.

Whitfield

Routes 12 and 89 will have a revised timetable. Route 60A will be withdrawn and replaced by new route 90 which will start in Deal, operating via Ringwould, Whitfield Hill and River to Dover town centre. There will be minor adjustments to the route 61 timetable. Apart from some school journeys routes 87 and 88 will be withdrawn.

Dover Town Routes – General

Poorly used journeys will be withdrawn. There will be a reduction in frequency on most Dover local routes on Saturday afternoons to reflect the lower level of patronage being made at this time.

Staple

Route 14 will be withdrawn. Staple will be served by a schools and shopping service only.

Ash/Littlebourne/Wingham

Routes 13, 13A, 14 and 14A will be withdrawn and replaced by new route 43 providing a 20 minute service from Canterbury to Sandwich via these villages on weekdays and hourly on Sundays. Through journeys to Deal will still be possible twice per hour by staying on the bus which will change its number to 80 or 81 in Sandwich. A new link to and from Ramsgate and Westwood Cross will be provided every hour on weekdays.

Sandwich

Routes 13, 13A, 14 and 14A will be withdrawn and replaced by new route 43 providing a 20 minute service from Canterbury to Sandwich via Wingham, extending hourly to Ramsgate and Westwood Cross on weekdays. An hourly service to Deal and Canterbury will be provided on Sundays. With the exception of school journeys routes 87 and 88 will be withdrawn. There will be a half hourly service between Sandwich and Dover via Deal provided by new routes 80 and 81.

Woodnesborough/St Barts

Routes 13A and 14A will be withdrawn. An hourly service will be provided daily by new route 81 operating between Sandwich, Deal and Dover.

Eastry

Routes 14, 14A, 87 and 88 will, with the exception of some school journeys, be withdrawn. An hourly route 81 will link Eastry with Deal, Dover and Sandwich with all journeys operating via Gore Lane and Mill Lane. At Sandwich the bus will change number and continue as a route 43 to Canterbury so through journeys and fares will still be available.

Betteshanger/Finglesham

Routes 14 and 14A will be withdrawn and replaced by new route 81 operating hourly to Sandwich and Deal, however Circular Road will not be served.

Northbourne/Great Mongeham

Routes 14 and 14A will be withdrawn. These villages will be served by a reduced schools and shopping service only.

Worth

Route 13A will be withdrawn and replaced by route 80 operating hourly between Sandwich, Deal and Dover.

Sholden

Routes 13, 13A, 14 and 14A will be withdrawn and replaced by new routes 80 and 81 which will provide a half-hourly frequency along the A258 between Sandwich and Deal. Route 80 will operate via the main road and route 81 will serve the village.

Deal

Route 12 will have a revised timetable. Routes 13, 13A, 14 and 14A will be withdrawn and replaced by new routes 80 and 81 providing two buses per hour between Deal and Sandwich, where the bus will change its number to 43 and continue via Wingham to Canterbury. Routes 15 and 15X will be withdrawn between Sandown and Dover. New routes 80 and 81 will operate from Deal to Dover via the current route 15/15X providing two buses per hour between these towns. On Sundays the current frequency will be enhanced to hourly between Dover and Deal.

Kingsdown

Route 82 will have a revised timetable.

Mill Hill

Routes 14, 15 and 15X will be withdrawn and replaced by new routes 80 and 81. These will provide a half-hourly frequency between Mill Hill and Deal town centre or Dover town centre.

Sandown

Routes 15 and 15X will be withdrawn and replaced by new route 84 operating hourly from Deal Town Centre. This new route will serve West Street [for Co-op and Sainsbury's stores] every hour on weekdays.

Upper Deal

Route 82 will have a revised timetable and the frequency will be enhanced to every 30 minutes for the main part of the day on weekdays. It will additionally serve the new development at Timperley Place.

Walmer

Routes 13A, 14, 15 and 15X will be withdrawn. Route 82 will divert away from Archery Square to serve Granville Road before looping via Lord Warden Avenue. New routes 80 and 81 will replace routes 15 and 15X serving Walmer Station as per the current route. New route 83 will serve Balfour Road and Telegraph Road replacing routes 13A and 14 approximately every hour on weekdays. Routes 12, 80, 81 and 90 will enhance the frequency from the Thompson's Bell area to/from Deal to be four buses per hour.

Ringwould

Routes 15 and 15X will be withdrawn. The frequency to/from Deal will be enhanced to four buses per hour for most of the day provided by routes 12, 80, 81 and 90.

St Margaret's Bay

Route 15 will be withdrawn and replaced by route 81 operating between Dover and Sandwich via St. Margaret's Bay and Deal every hour.

Tilmanstone

Routes 87 and 88 will be generally withdrawn so Tilmanstone will be served by a reduced schools and shopping service only.

Adisham/Bekesbourne/Patrixbourne

Route 89B will be withdrawn. These villages will be served by a reduced schools and shopping service only.

Aylesham

Routes 89 and 89A will provide an hourly service to/from Dover, and a half-hourly service to/from Canterbury for most of the day on weekdays. A reduced level of service to/from Dover will apply on Saturdays.

Coldred/Shepherdswell

With the exception of some school journeys routes 88 and 88A will be withdrawn. An improved level of service will be provided to/from Canterbury and Dover by new route 89A operating approximately every two hours on weekdays. A reduced level of service will apply on Saturdays.

Elvington/Eythorne

With the exception of some school journeys routes 87 and 88 will be withdrawn. Routes 89 and 89A will provide an hourly service to/from Dover and Canterbury for most of the day on weekdays. A reduced level of service will apply on Saturdays.

Nonington/Snowdown

Routes 89 and 89A will provide an hourly service to/from Dover and Canterbury for most of the day on weekdays. A reduced level of service will apply on Saturdays.

Alkham

Route 91 will have an enhanced frequency, operating every hour for most of the day on weekdays to/from Folkestone and Dover.

School routes

School buses 997 and 998 will be renumbered 89X and 89B respectively.

School journeys currently on routes 13, 13A and 13B will be renumbered 43, 43A, 44, 80A, 81A or 81B.

Please let us know your views on these proposed changes by Monday 26 June 2017.

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