

# Bus Passenger News

September/October 2022

Bus Passenger News provides information on forthcoming changes to local bus services in Essex. A summary of each change is provided as it is not possible to publish every change in detail.

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## Route & Operator Changes

Please note - There will be further changes across the First Essex network, which are not detailed below, with effect from 30 October 2022. Once all changes have been approved by the Traffic Commissioner, we will provide details in October's edition of Bus Passenger News.

Service	Route & Operator	Summary of Changes	Start Date
3	Clacton - Harwich <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	Withdrawal of 1042 and 1242 services from Harwich to Clacton. 1805 and 1905 journeys will no longer operate and are replaced by the 1835 Harwich to Clacton. Journeys 0943 and 1143 are withdrawn from Clacton to Harwich. 1708 and 1808 journeys will no longer operate.	04/09/2022
5-5A	Clacton circular via Bockings Elm <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	1743 journey Service 5 journey withdrawn.	04/09/2022
31	Brentwood Rail Station - Pilgrims Hatch <i>NIBS Buses</i>	Service withdrawn.	03/10/2022



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35	Debden – Chelmsford <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Revised route and timetable.	06/09/2022
39	Witham Town Centre – Collingwood Road <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Withdrawn Saturday service.	07/10/2022
59/590	Saffron Walden – Audley End <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Change of operator to <i>Central Connect (Galleon Travel)</i> with no change to route or timetable.	03/10/2022
71/X71/371	Chelmsford – Colchester <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Service 71 journey from Chelmsford to Chelmer Village at 1750 withdrawn (Monday to Friday).	01/09/2022
84-784	Sudbury – Colchester <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	Revised timetable.	04/09/2022
97/97A/98/98A	Clacton – Walton <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	Revised Sunday timetable, Additional journeys from Clacton – Walton at 1100, 1640. Additional journeys from Walton – Clacton at 0815, 1135 and 1715.	04/09/2022
97B-99A	Clacton – Walton <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	Minor timetable changes. Additional 97B 0739 journey from Stephenson Road – Walton.	04/09/2022
101	Brightlingsea – Point Clear <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Change of operator to <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i> . No change to timetable or route.	01/09/2022
115	Weeley – Thorpe le Soken <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Change of operator to <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i> . No change to timetable or route.	01/09/2022
136-137	Clacton circular via Brook Retail Park <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	Revised Sunday timetable. Minor timetable changes. Additional 0913 journey from Stephenson Road – Clacton, Pier Avenue. Additional 1750 journey from Clacton, Pier Avenue to Stephenson Road.	04/09/2022
200-220	Bradwell-on-Sea – Southend or Basildon <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Service withdrawn.	01/09/2022
336	Chelmsford – South Woodham <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Revised timetable.	01/09/2022
351	Chelmsford – Warely <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Revised timetable.	01/09/2022

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414	Great Dunmow – Saffron Walden <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Revised route and timetable due to Armitage Bridge closure on Thaxted Road, which is expected to last until end of November 2022.  Route adjusted to begin and end in Felsted.	01/09/2022
438	Great Yeldham – Newport <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Withdrawal of school service open to the public.	01/09/2022
453	Wimbish – Newport <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Revised route and timetable due to Armitage Bridge closure on Thaxted Road, which is expected to last until end of November 2022.	01/09/2022
491/492	North Weald – Epping St. John’s School <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	New service open to the public, previously a closed Monday to Friday School service operated by Acme.	02/09/2022
493	Fyfield – St. John’s School <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	New service open to the public, previously a closed Monday to Friday School service operated by Acme.	02/09/2022
667	Ilford – West Hatch School <i>East London Bus Company</i>	Revised timetable.	02/09/2022
694	Langham – East Bergholt High School <i>Ipswich Buses</i>	Change of Operator to <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i> , with no change to route or timetable. Service is now be operated under contract to Essex County Council. Passengers wishing to purchase tickets are advised to contact <i>Heddingham and Chambers</i> .	01/09/2022
701	Brightlingsea – Norman Way Schools <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	No change to timetable, this service is now open to the public.	01/09/2022
721	Alresford – Manningtree High School <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	No change to timetable. This schooldays only service is now open to the public.	01/09/2022
754-756	Sudbury – Colchester <i>Heddingham &amp; Chambers</i>	Revised timetable.	04/09/2022

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804	Debden – West Hatch School <i>Stephensons of Essex</i>	Change of operator to <i>NIBS Buses</i> with a revised timetable on the return journey.	02/09/2022
C7- C56-C57	Chelmsford – Galleywood <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Revised route and timetable. The 0850 departure from Galleywood to Chelmsford will terminate at Chelmsford Retail Market on school days only.	01/09/2022
DigiGo	Digital Demand Responsive Transport	Central Essex and Braintree flexible zones combined, and operational zone expanded to Great Dunmow and surrounding areas.	22/09/2022
Racecourse Shuttles	Chelmsford City Centre – Chelmsford City Racecourse <i>Ensignbus</i>	Timetable has been extended to incorporate new events added at Chelmsford City Racecourse. Timetables are dependent on the dates of operation. See <a href="http://www.chelmsfordcityracecourse.com">www.chelmsfordcityracecourse.com</a> for race dates.	08/09/2022
Z2	Canning Town – Amazon Tilbury <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Revised timetable.	11/09/2022
Z3	Southchurch – Amazon Tilbury <i>First Essex Buses</i>	Revised timetable.	11/09/2022

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