RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: 28 JANUARY 2014

title: PROPOSED WITHDRAWAL OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES

submitted by: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

principal author: BILL ALKER

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform Members of proposals being consulted on by Lancashire County Council in relation to the proposal to withdraw certain bus services subsidised.
- 1.2 To note the response submitted by officers to meet Lancashire County Council's deadline for consultation.
- 1.3 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities

•	Community Objectives -	}	Ribble Valley Borough Council has a duty
•	Corporate Priorities -	}	to protect its residents and the area in general from cutbacks in services
•	Other Considerations -	}	proposed by other agencies.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Lancashire County Council currently subsidises a number of financially unviable bus services across Lancashire.
- 2.2 This currently costs Lancashire County Council £8 million each year.
- 2.3 As a result of recent government announcements on the funding, Lancashire County Council is now looking at a number of measures to make further budget savings.
- 2.4 One of those proposals is around reducing the amount of money spent supporting bus services (see Lancashire County Council press release at Appendix A).

3 ISSUES

- 3.1 In December 2012 Lancashire County Council announced a proposal to withdraw funding which subsidises bus services during evenings and on Sundays and Bank Holidays.
- 3.2 The proposal would still protect the majority of bus services but by targeting evenings and Sundays effectively, withdraws services both from local routes and to nearby towns (Blackburn, Burnley and Preston).
- 3.3 The deadline for the consultation was Friday, 17 January and, with the approval of the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee, a response was submitted to Lancashire County Council within the timescale.

- 3.4 A copy of that response is included at Appendix B to this report.
- 4 RISK ASSESSMENT
- 4.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications
 - Resources No implications identified.
 - Technical, Environmental and Legal No implications identified.
 - Political No implications identified.
 - Reputation It will clearly enhance the reputation of the Council if it is seen to be opposing these proposals on behalf of its residents.
 - Equality & Diversity Again these proposals will affect vulnerable members of society.

5 **RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE**

5.1 Note the reply sent by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee.

BILL ALKER
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

MARSHAL SCOTT CHIEF EXECUTIVE

BACKGROUND PAPERS

(If any)

For further information please ask for Bill Alker, extension 4412.

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Proposed withdrawal of subsidised bus services - evenings and Sundays and proposed non-replacement of future deregistered commercial bus services

December 2013

Budget pressures

As a result of the local government finance settlement and existing budget pressures, the county council has already committed to saving over £200 million by 31 March 2014. Following recent announcements by the government over future funding, we now need to find further estimated savings of £300m between 2014 and 2018. This means that the council has to consider making these savings by reducing costs and reshaping the way services are delivered.

Proposals for how we can make those savings are currently being considered by the county council's Cabinet and will be agreed at a full council meeting in February 2014.

As part of a range of proposals being considered, we are looking to reduce the amount of money we spend to support bus services in the county each year by withdrawing the funding to subsidise bus services during the evenings and on Sundays.

While the large majority of bus services across Lancashire are run solely on a commercial basis, the county council currently spends around £8 million each year subsidising bus travel. This proposal would maintain the majority of that spending, while saving £1.82m next year and more than £2m a year after that by focusing on subsidising routes during the day, when they are most used by people going about their business: getting to work or medical appointments and doing their shopping.

We are also proposing an additional £500,000 investment in community transport to make sure that support is focused on those with the greatest need and where the public transport network is particularly limited.

Before the final decision is made on all our budget proposals, we would like to hear any comments you may have on the proposals we have put forward. Your comments will help shape the final report presented to full council in February 2014. Further details are outlined below.

Background to bus services in Lancashire

While around 80% of the regular bus services across the Lancashire are run by bus operators on a commercial basis, around 20% are subsidised by the county council.

Operators decide which routes they run, what fares to charge, how frequent the service is and when and how it may change. Changes to these services, including the withdrawal of the whole service, is made by giving 56 days' notice to the Traffic Commissioner appointed by the Department for Transport. There is no requirement to consult with users or the county council.

Under the Transport Act 1985, the county council has a duty to: "secure the provision of such public passenger transport services as the council considers it appropriate to meet any public

transport requirements within the county which would not, in their view, be met apart from any action taken by them for that purpose." This means we have to identify public transport requirements which would not otherwise be met by commercial operators and then provide what we think is needed within available resources.

At present we spend around £8 million each year on subsidising the 20% of bus journeys which are not commercially viable. They are provided by private bus companies and are referred to as subsidised services because the county council pays the difference between the cost of providing the service, the fares paid by passengers and reimbursement for concessionary fares (paid by us). We use competitive tendering to get the best price for these services. We also work with the community and voluntary sectors to enable them to provide alternative services such as car schemes and Dial-a-Ride services.

Service changes we are proposing

Our on-going priority will be to make sure that as many communities as possible continue to have access to a public or community transport service and that these services give value for money. In considering the need to make savings, we are proposing to adopt the following policies:

 To withdraw all evening and Sunday subsidised bus journeys from 18 May 2014. A list of services affected, together with any alternatives, is shown in Appendices 1 – 15:

Appendix 1 Lancaster

Appendix 2 Wyre

Appendix 3 Ribble Valley

Appendix 4 Services operating into Blackpool

Appendix 5 Fylde

Appendix 6 Preston

Appendix 7 South Ribble

Appendix 8 West Lancashire

Appendix 9 Chorley

Appendix 10 Services operating into Blackburn with Darwen

Appendix 11 Hyndburn

Appendix 12 Burnley

Appendix 13 Pendle

Appendix 14 Rossendale

<u>Appendix 15 Services operating into Greater Manchester, Merseyside, Cumbria and North Yorkshire</u>

- With the exception of evening and Sunday services, to continue to support existing subsidised bus services in Lancashire until their existing contracts expire.
- Upon the termination of these contracts, each currently subsidised service will be reviewed on a case by case basis to determine its sustainability in the context of affordability, value for money and community benefit. Where there are proposed further changes to services, the county council will carry out consultation separately.
- Where bus companies withdraw their commercial bus services it is proposed that the county council will not fund any replacements.

Timings

Consultation on the proposals will start 12 December and will run until 10 January 2014, allowing members of the public and local organisations to have their say.

Feedback received will then form part of a report that will be presented at the full council meeting on 20 February 2014. This report will detail comments received, agree what changes will be made along with timescales for implementation and an impact assessment which will outline how we have considered the needs of different people in our communities and how our proposals may affect them.

Have your say

By email:

lcc.bus.services@lancashire.gov.uk

By post:

Bus & Supported Transport Manager

Lancashire County Council Room D3, PO Box 100 County Hall, Preston

PR1 0LD

Online:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay - search current consultations.

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CLITHEROE - LOW MOOR SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS

2

Service Number	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CLITHEROE Market Place	0959	1059	1159	1359	1459	1559	1659
CLITHEROE Interchange	1001	1101	1201	1401	1501	1601	1701
CLITHEROE Kenilworth Drive	1008	1108	1208	1408	1508	1608	1708
CLITHEROE Garnett Road						1610	
LOW MOOR St. Ann's Court						1614	
CLITHEROE Interchange						1620	
CLITHEROE Market Place						1626	-

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NO ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

PRESTON - FULWOOD - WHITTINGHAM - LONGRIDGE

4

via RPH - Lightfoot Lane - Woodplumpton - Broughton - Goosnargh THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

Service Number	4	4	4	4
	\$	\$	\$	\$
PRESTON Bus Station	1905	2105	2225	2400
FULWOOD Post Office	1913	2113	2233	8000
FULWOOD Royal Preston Hospital		2117		
FULWOOD Lightfoot Lane/Lansdown Hi	11922	2122	2242	0017
FULWOOD Wychnor Bus Turning Circle	1925	2125	2245	0020
WOODPLUMPTON Whittle Green	1930	2130	2250	0025
BROUGHTON Sunningdale	1933	2133	2253	0028
BROUGHTON Willow Tree Avenue	1937	2137	2257	0032
GOOSNARGH Green	1944	2144	2304	0039
WHITTINGHAM Hospital Gates	1947	2147	2307	0042
LONGRIDGE Stone Bridge	1952	2152	2312	0047
LONGRIDGE Post Office	1955	2155	2315	0050

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LONGRIDGE - WHITTINGHAM - FULWOOD - PRESTON

4

via Goosnargh - Broughton - Woodplumpton - Lightfoot Lane - RPH THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

Service Number	4	4
	\$	\$
LONGRIDGE Opp Post Office	2127	2327
LONGRIDGE Stone Bridge	2129	2329
WHITTINGHAM Hospital Gates	2134	2334
GOOSNARGH Green	2139	2339
BROUGHTON Willow Tree Avenue	2146	2346
BROUGHTON Sunningdale	2149	2349
WOODPLUMPTON Whittle Green	2152	
FULWOOD Wychnor Bus Turning Circle	2156	2356
FULWOOD Lightfoot Lane/Lansdown Hil	12159	2359
FULWOOD Royal Preston Hospital	2204	0004
FULWOOD Post Office	2208	8000
PRESTON Bus Station	2216	0016

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE – Preston Bus Services 19/23 between Preston and Royal Preston Hospital Stagecoach in Lancaster Service 40 between Preston and Broughton (limited)

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CLITHEROE - LONGRIDGE

5A

via Hurst Green - Knowle Green THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

Service Number	5A 5A \$ \$
	ThFS ThFS
CLITHEROE Interchange	2059 2259
CLITHEROE Market Place	2100 2300
GREAT MITTON Mitton Road End	2110 2310
HURST GREEN Shireburn Arms	2115 2315
KNOWLE GREEN Halls Arms	2120 2320
LONGRIDGE Opp Post Office	2125 2325

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LONGRIDGE - CLITHEROE

5A

via Knowle Green - Hurst Green THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

Service Number	5A	5A
	\$	\$
	ThFS	ThFS
LONGRIDGE Post Office	1957	2157
KNOWLE GREEN Halls Arms	2003	2203
HURST GREEN Shireburn Arms	2008	2208
GREAT MITTON Mitton Road End	2012	2212
CLITHEROE Interchange	2022	2222
CLITHEROE Market Place	2026	2226

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NO ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CLITHEROE - GRINDLETON - CHATBURN - CLITHEROE

7B

via Waddington - West Bradford THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

Service Number	7B	7B
	\$	\$
	ThFS	ThFS
CLITHEROE Interchange	2025	2225
CLITHEROE Market Place	2026	2226
WADDINGTON Hospital	2033	2233
WEST BRADFORD Old Post Office	2037	2237
GRINDLETON Stone Hill Farm	2042	2242
CHATBURN Village Hall	2047	2247
CLITHEROE Interchange	2054	2254
CLITHEROE Market Place	2100	2300

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CLITHEROE - CHATBURN - GRINDLETON - CLITHEROE

7B

via West Bradford - Waddington SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS

Service Number	7B							
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CLITHEROE Interchange	0925	1025	1125	1225	1425	1525	1625	1725
CLITHEROE Market Place	0926	1026	1126	1226	1426	1526	1626	1726
CHATBURN Village Hall	0933	1033	1133	1233	1433	1533	1633	1733
GRINDLETON Stone Hill Farm	0938	1038	1138	1238	1438	1538	1638	1738
WEST BRADFORD Old Post Office	0943	1043	1143	1243	1443	1543	1643	1743
WADDINGTON Waddington Arms	0948	1048	1148	1248	1448	1548	1648	1748
CLITHEROE Interchange	0954	1054	1154	1254	1454	1554	1654	1754
CLITHEROE Market Place	0955	1055	1155	1255	1455	1555	1655	1755

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NO ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CLITHEROE - WADDINGTON - BARLEY - NELSON via West Bradford - Chatburn - Downham - Roughlee										78		
NELSON - BURNLEY - PADIHAM - CLITHEROE via Brierfield - Sabden - Pendleton SUMMER SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS												
Service Number	72	7S	72	7S	72	7S	72	78	72			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$			
CLITHEROE Interchange		0958				•	•	1558	•			
CLITHEROE Market Place		0959										
WADDINGTON Hospital		1005										
WEST BRADFORD Old Post Office		1009										
CHATBURN Village Hall		1015										
DOWNHAM Church		1018										
BARLEY The Barley Mow		1028										
SPENBROOK Osbourne Terrace		1033										
NEWCHURCH Witches Galore		1037										
DIMPENLEY Clarion House		1040		1240		1440		1640				
ROUGHLEE Bay Horse		1042		1242		1442		1642				
BLACKO Rising Sun		1046		1246		1446		1646				
BARROWFORD White Bear		1048		1248		1448		1648				
NELSON Interchange	0858	1053	1058	1253	1258	1453	1458	1653	1658			
BRIERFIELD Centre												
BURNLEY Bus Station	0915		1115		1315		1515		1715			
PADIHAM Bridge Inn	0927		1127		1327		1527					
SABDEN White Hart												
NICK O' PENDLE Wellsprings Inn	0942		1142		1342		1542	-				
PENDLETON Swan with Two Necks	0945		1145		1345		1545					
CLITHEROE Interchange	0955		1155		1355		1555					

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE -

Transdev Burnley & Pendle Mainline service between Nelson, Burnley and Padiham Transdev Lancashire United Service 22A between Clitheroe and Whalley (Sunday Daytime)

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

NELSON - BARLEY - WADDINGTON - CLITHEROE via Roughlee - Downham - Chatburn - West Bradford										7 S		
CLITHEROE - PADIHAM - BURNLEY - NELSON via Pendleton - Sabden - Brierfield SUMMER SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS												72
Service Number	72	7S	72	7S	72	78	72	78	72			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$			
CLITHEROE Interchange			1133		1333		1533		1733			
CLITHEROE Market Place			1134		1334		1534		1734			
PENDLETON Swan with Two Necks			1140		1340		1540		1740			
NICK O' PENDLE Wellsprings Inn			1145		1345		1545		1745			
SABDEN White Hart			1150		1350		1550		1750			
PADIHAM Bridge Inn			1200		1400		1600		1800			
BURNLEY Bus Station	1015		1215		1415		1615		1815			
BRIERFIELD Centre	1025		1225		1425		1625		1825			
NELSON Interchange	1030	1035	1230	1235	1430	1435	1630	1635	1830			
BARROWFORD White Bear		1040		1240		1440		1640				
BLACKO Rising Sun		1044		1244		1444		1644				
ROUGHLEE Bay Horse		1048		1248		1448		1648				
DIMPENLEY Clarion House		1050		1250		1450		1650				
NEWCHURCH Witches Galore		1053		1253		1453		1653				
SPENBROOK Osbourne Terrace												
BARLEY The Barley Mow		1101		1301		1501		1701				
DOWNHAM Church		1111		1311		1511		1711				
CHATBURN Village Hall												
WEST BRADFORD Post Office												
WADDINGTON Hospital												
CLITHEROE Interchange		1130		1330		1530		1730	******			

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE -

Transdev Burnley & Pendle Mainline service between Nelson, Burnley and Padiham Transdev Lancashire United Service 22A between Clitheroe and Whalley (Sunday Daytime)

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

Clitheroe - Whalley - Blackburn

22A

via Langho - Wilpshire MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Service Number	22A	22A	22A	22A
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	MTW	MTW		
Clitheroe, Interchange	2013	2113	2213	2313
Clitheroe, Well Terrace	2014	2114	2214	2314
Whalley	2025	2125	2225	2325
Langho, opp Northcote Rd	2030	2130	2230	2330
Emerald St, Roe Lee Park	2039	2139	2239	2339
BLACKBURN Bus Station Arr	2048	2148	2248	2348

MTW - Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays only. These journeys operated commercially on Thursday/Friday/Saturday

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Blackburn - Whalley - Clitheroe

22A

via Wilpshire - Langho MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Service Number	22A	22A	22A	22A
•	\$	\$	\$	\$
	MTW	MTW		
Blackburn, Bus Station dep	1935	2035	2135	2235
Emerald St, Roe Lee Park	1943	2043	2143	2243
Langho, Spring Mill	1951	2051	2151	2251
Whalley	1958	2058	2158	2258
Clitheroe, Interchange	2010	2110	2210	2310

MTW - Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays only. These journeys operated commercially on Thursday/Friday/Saturday \$ - Operated on behalf of Lancashire County Council

LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE – Rail Service between Clitheroe and Blackburn

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

Clitheroe - Whalley - Blackburn

22A

via Langho - Wilpshire SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS

Service Number	22A 22A
	\$ \$
Clitheroe, Interchange	0908 1808
Clitheroe, Well Terrace	0909 1809
Whalley	0920 1820
Langho, opp Northcote Rd	0925 1825
Emerald St, Roe Lee Park	0934 1834
BLACKBURN Bus Station Arr	0943 1843

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Blackburn - Whalley - Clitheroe

22A

via Wilpshire - Langho SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS

Service Number	22A	
	\$	\$
Blackburn, Bus Station dep	0930	1730
Emerald St, Roe Lee Park	0938	1738
Langho, Spring Mill	0946	1746
Whalley	0953	1753
Clitheroe, Interchange	1005	1805

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE -

Transdev Lancashire United Service 22A between Blackburn and Clitheroe, hourly between these journeys Rail Service between Clitheroe and Blackburn

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CLITHEROE - WHALLEY - Fivia Simonstone - Shuttleworth Mead CLITHEROE - WHALLEY - Fivia Sabden - Simonstone - Shuttleworth Monday To Saturday	The Main Line The Main Line	26 27					
Service Number	27	26	27	26			
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Clitheroe, Interchange	1959	2110	•	2310			
Clitheroe, Well Terrace	2001	2112	2201	2312			
Whalley	2014	2125	2214	2325			
Sabden, Four Lane Ends	2022		2222				
Padiham, Bridge Inn	2039	2139	2239	2338			
Burnley, Tim Bobbin	2045	2145	2245	2344			
Burnley, Bus Station arr	2053	2153	2253				
Burnley, Red Lion Street				2352			

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BURNLEY - PADIHAM - READ - WHALLEY - CLITHEROE	The Main Line	26
via Memorial Park - Shuttleworth Mead - Simonstone	•	
BURNLEY - PADIHAM - READ - WHALLEY - CLITHEROE	The Main Line	27
via Memorial Park - Shuttleworth Mead - Simonstone - Sabden		-
MONDAY TO SATURDAY		

Service Number	26	27	26	27
·	\$	\$	\$	\$
Burnley, Bus Station dep	1907	2013	2113	2213
Burnley, Tim Bobbin	1915	2021	2121	2221
Padiham, Bridge Inn	1921	2027	2127	2227
Sabden, Four Lane Ends		2045		2245
Whalley	1937	2053	2143	2253
Clitheroe, Interchange	1949	2105	2155	2305

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE -

Transdev Burnley & Pendle Mainline service between Burnley and Padiham
Transdev Lancashire United Service 22A between Clitheroe and Whalley (Thursday/Friday/Saturday)
Rail Service between Clitheroe and Whalley

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CLITHEROE - WHALLEY - READ - PADIHAM - BURNLEY via Simonstone - Shuttleworth Mead - Memorial Park									The Main Line				26
OUTUEDOE MAINLENA DELLE DISCUSSIONIO								The Main Line 2			27		
Service Number	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$
Clitheroe, Interchange		0959	1110		1310	•		•	1710	•	-	т -	•
Clitheroe, Well Terrace		1001		1201			1512		1712	1801		2001	
Whalley	0910	1014		1214		_			1725			2014	
Sabden, Four Lane Ends		1022		1222		1422						2022	
Padiham, Bridge Inn	0924	1039			1339		1539		1739	-		2039	
Burnley, Tim Bobbin		1045	-									2045	
Burnley, Bus Station arr		1053										2053	
Service Number	27 \$									٠			
Clitheroe, Interchange	2159												
Clitheroe, Well Terrace	2201												
Whalley	2214												
Sabden, Four Lane Ends	2222												
Padiham, Bridge Inn	2239												
Burnley, Tim Bobbin	2245												
Burnley, Bus Station arr	2253												

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BURNLEY - PADIHAM - READ - WHALLEY - CLITHEROE via Memorial Park - Shuttleworth Mead - Simonstone									The Main Line				26
								The	Mai	n Lir	e	27	
Service Number	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$	27 \$	26 \$
Burnley, Bus Station dep	•	1013	1113	1213	•	1413	,		•	•	•	-	-
Burnley, Tim Bobbin	0905	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1520	1620	1720	1820	1920	2020	2120
Padiham, Bridge Inn	0912	1027	1127	1227	1327	1427	1527	1627	1727	1827	1927	2027	2127
Padiham, Memorial Park	0914	1029	1129	1229	1329	1429	1529	1629	1729	1829	1929	2029	2129
Sabden, Four Lane Ends Whalley		1045 1053		1245 1253		1445 1453		1645 1653				2045 2053	
Clitheroe, Interchange		1106		1306	1356			1706					

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE –
Transdev Burnley & Pendle Mainline service between Burnley and Padiham
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Rail Service between Clitheroe and Whalley

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

CHIPPING - LONGRIDGE - RIBCHESTER - BLACKBURN

35

via Salesbury - Wilpshire - Pleckgate - St Marys College MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Service Number	35	35	35
	\$	\$	\$
CHIPPING Kirklands Estate	1948	2148	2348
LONGRIDGE Post Office	2002	2202	0002
RIBCHESTER Black Bull	2010	2210	0010
SALESBURY Bonny Inn	2019	2219	0019
WILPSHIRE Bulls Head	2022	2222	0022
PLECKGATE Knowles Arms	2025	2225	0025
BLACKBURN St Mary's College	2028	2228	0028
BLACKBURN Bus Station	2035	2235	0035

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BLACKBURN - RIBCHESTER - LONGRIDGE - CHIPPING

via St Marys College - Pleckgate - Wilpshire - Salesbury MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Service Number	35	35
	\$	\$
BLACKBURN Bus Station	2100	2300
BLACKBURN St Mary's College	2107	2307
PLECKGATE Knowles Arms	2110	2310
WILPSHIRE Bulls Head	2115	2315
SALESBURY Bonny Inn	2118	2318
RIBCHESTER Black Bull	2126	2326
LONGRIDGE Opp Post Office	2133	2333
CHIPPING Kirklands Estate	2145	2345

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE – Rail Service between Blackburn and Wilpshire

35

SUBSIDISED LOCAL BUS SERVICE EVENING AND SUNDAY JOURNEYS PROPOSED TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM 18 MAY 2014

PRESTON - CLITHEROE - GISBURN - SKIPTON

280/X80

via Mellor Brook - Whalley - West Marton SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAYS

Service Number	280	X80	280	X80	280	X80	280	X80	280	280
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
PRESTON Bus Station	0900		1100		1300		1500		1600	1800
PRESTON Hesketh Arms	0907		1107		1307		1507		1607	1807
MELLOR BROOK Feilden Arms	0918		1118		1318		1518		1617	1816
LANGHO Petre Arms	0927		1127		1327		1527		1626	1825
WHALLEY Bus Embayment	0932		1132		1332		1532		1631	1830
CLITHEROE Interchange arr	0943		1143		1343		1543		1641	1840
CLITHEROE Interchange dep		0947		1147		1347		1547	1641	1840
CHATBURN Post Office		0953		1153		1353	**	1553	1647	1846
GISBURN Travellers Court		1000		1200		1400		1600		
WEST MARTON Crossroads		1005		1205		1405		1605		
BROUGHTON Bull Inn		1011		1211		1411		1611		
SKIPTON Railway Station		1016		1216		1416		1616		
SKIPTON Bus Station		1019		1219		1419		1619		u

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
SKIPTON Bus Station			1035		1235		1435		1635	
SKIPTON Railway Station			1037		1237		1437		1637	
BROUGHTON Bull Inn			1042		1242		1442		1642	
WEST MARTON Crossroads			1046		1246		1446		1646	
GISBURN Post Office			1053		1253		1453		1653	
CHATBURN Post Office		1001	1101		1301		1501		1701	
CLITHEROE Interchange arr		1008	1108		1308		1508		1708	
CLITHEROE Interchange dep	0812	1012		1112		1312		1512		1712
WHALLEY Bus Station	0823	1023		1123		1323		1523		1723
LANGHO Petre Arms	0828	1028		1128		1328		1528		1728
MELLOR BROOK Feilden Arms	0838	1038		1138		1338		1538		1738
PRESTON Hesketh Arms	0844	1044		1144		1344		1544		1744
PRESTON Bus Station	0855	1055		1155		1355		1555		1755

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LIST OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE -

Stagecoach Service 9 and Rotala Preston Bus Service 16 between Preston and Hesketh Arms Transdev Lancashire United Service 22A between Clitheroe and Whalley Rail Service between Preston and Blackburn / Blackburn and Clitheroe

From: Bill Alker

Sent: 17 January 2014 14:47

To: 'bussservices@lancashire.gov.uk'

Cc: Cllr Stuart Hirst; Cllr Simon Hore; Marshal Scott **Subject:** FW: Subsidised Bus Services - Budget Proposals

Dear Ashley

As discussed here are the views of Ribble Valley Borough Council on LCC's proposals to cut evening and weekend bus services in our area.

Ribble Valley Borough Council wishes to object in the strongest possible terms to your proposals to cut bus services for all Sunday and evening services. Ribble Valley is a predominantly rural area and, as such, public transport is not only highly valued but much needed for those without a car. Many of the routes you are recommending to axe currently enable people from outlying villages to travel into larger towns such as Blackburn, Burnley and Preston.

People in rural communities have suffered a number of cuts to local services recently with sale of rural police houses, threats to rural medical practices, together with village pub and post office closures. To be faced with these further cuts to the rural infrastructure is inconsistent with the concept of 'localism' and will do nothing for rural mobility.

On the specifics of your proposals, I would point out that 9 services affected, 3 have no alternative mode of transport 4 offers alternatives but only on part of the route and the remaining 2 only offer a rail alternative.(which is always assuming customers can get to the station!)

We are also concerned at the short consultation period which really does not give enough time to properly consult and get the Council's views back to you. Ideally we would have preferred to discuss this at one of our Committees but this has proved impossible, primarily due to the timescale.

We would ask LCC to think again and, more importantly 'think rural' when considering any cuts to bus services

As a final point, these comments do have the full support of the four Ribble Valley County Councillors.

Bill Alker Community Development Officer