



## NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2024

Hello everyone,

Welcome to our latest Newsletter. We've been busy working on changes 'behind the scenes', so please read below to see what these are and how these impact you.

Hopefully we're in good shape to run our March to May schedule, and you can find trips of interest. We hope to further expand our range of trips once we've got used to new ways of working.

Kind regards, Steve O'Dowd: Local Coordinator (Telephone 01403 784428)

### **THANK YOU, GERALDINE.**

As many of you know, Geraldine has decided to step down from her role as bookings officer.

Geraldine has done a tremendous job for us over several years. She's popular with passengers and crew alike, and she will be sorely missed. We hope she'll continue to be involved with the minibus, if only as a passenger!

We'll organise a 'Thank You' for Geraldine in the spring / summer.

I hope you will join me in thanking Geraldine and wishing her all the best going forward.

### **NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER**

From Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February, our new telephone number and system will be in operation.

**0300 772 7735**

You will be prompted to 'press 1' for Billingshurst, when there will be a short delay to allow your call to be connected to us.

Please do not call Geraldine after 25<sup>th</sup> February.

Calls will be diverted to us from Monday to Saturday from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm. Please only call within these hours.

If we cannot take your call, you will be able to leave a message.

Please be patient as we get used to the new phone system and let us know how you get on!

### **NEW BOOKING OFFICER**

I'm delighted to announce that

**Alan Jenkins**

has volunteered to be our new booking officer. Many of you will know Alan as one of our regular drivers. He's looking forward to taking your calls and hopes he can carry on with the high standard that Geraldine has set.

Be aware that Alan may occasionally need to call you about your bookings. Please give Alan a warm welcome and all your support as he gets to grips with his new role.

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Passengers must have a valid annual subscription to travel on trips. The subscription charge for 2024 is £10.

If you haven't already paid your subs for 2024, they can be paid on your next journey. Alternatively, send a cheque made out to "Community Minibus Association (West Sussex)" to Billingshurst Minibus at 10, Kingsfold Close, Billingshurst, RH14 9HG.

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For volunteer, associate membership, donation or sponsorship enquiries email

[billingshurst.minibus@btinternet.com](mailto:billingshurst.minibus@btinternet.com) or ring Steve on (01403) 784428



# Billingshurst Community Minibus Schedule

## March 2024 to May 2024



registered charity no 1173818

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01-Mar	Fri	1:00pm	Squires Garden Centre for tea	£6.00
07-Mar	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
07-Mar	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
08-Mar	Fri	1:00pm	Shoreham Airport for tea	£8.00
12-Mar	Tue	10:00am	Dell Quay "Crown & Anchor" for lunch	£8.00
14-Mar	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
14-Mar	Thu	2:30pm	Lidl Billingshurst	£2.00
19-Mar	Tue	9.30am	Nymans National Trust. Gardens, woods and Daffodils. Possible Buggy ride. (Entrance charge of £18, free for National Trust Members)	£8.00
20-Mar	Wed	10:00am	Chichester Market Day	£8.00
21-Mar	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
21-Mar	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
22-Mar	Fri	11:00am	Old Barn Garden Centre for lunch and tea	£4.00
26-Mar	Tue	10:00am	Bognor Regis	£8.00
27-Mar	Wed	11:30am	Riverside Café, Houghton Bridge for Lunch	£8.00
28-Mar	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
03-Apr	Wed	1:00pm	Hilliers Garden Centre, Horsham	£4.00
04-Apr	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
04-Apr	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
05-Apr	Fri	11:00am	Old Barn Garden Centre for lunch and tea	£4.00
10-Apr	Wed	10:00am	Worthing & Haskins	£8.00
11-Apr	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
11-Apr	Thu	2:30pm	Lidl Billingshurst	£2.00
12-Apr	Fri	10:00am	Scenic Drive and lunch at the South Downs Garden Centre	£8.00
16-Apr	Tue	10:00am	Holmbush - M&S and Tesco	£8.00
17-Apr	Wed	9:00am	Eastbourne	£12.00
18-Apr	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
18-Apr	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
23-Apr	Tue	1:30pm	Camelia Botnar for tea	£4.00
24-Apr	Wed	9:30am	New Alresford via Tea Barn. Lunch at "The Flower Pots"	£12.00
25-Apr	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
01-May	Wed	10:00am	Denmans Gardens	£8.00
02-May	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
02-May	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
08-May	Wed	10:00am	Chichester Market Day	£8.00
09-May	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
09-May	Thu	2:30pm	Lidl Billingshurst	£2.00
10-May	Fri	10:00am	Tangmere Aviation Museum	£8.00
14-May	Tue	11.00am	Sea Lane Café Goring	£8.00
15-May	Wed	1:00pm	Shoreham Airport for tea	£8.00
16-May	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
16-May	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
22-May	Wed	9.00am	Eastbourne	£12.00
23-May	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
24-May	Fri	11:00am	Old Barn Garden Centre for lunch and tea	£4.00
30-May	Thu	9:00am	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
30-May	Thu	1:30pm	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
31-May	Fri	1:00pm	Hilliers Garden Centre, Horsham	£4.00

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