

Dear Colleague

New Lower Bus Fares in East Sussex

East Sussex County Council and the bus operators have worked together to introduce a range of bus travel discounts across the County this Summer. This is part of the East Sussex Bus Service Improvement Plan, with more affordable bus travel being especially important when family budgets are under pressure due to other cost increases.

Bus travel has been significantly impacted by changing travel habits over the pandemic period. Your help in encouraging more bus use, by doing what you can to help promote these lower fare ticket options, will also mean operators will be in a much stronger position to continue running the services in East Sussex that our residents rely upon.

Information about these lower fares can be found on our website, which we would ask you to direct people to for more information, through this link: [New lower fares on East Sussex bus services | East Sussex County Council](#)

The website will be updated with any changes to these fares offers and news of any new participating operators. We are also promoting the fares in a social media campaign using TikTok, Twitter and Facebook as well as by other means. We particularly need to encourage people to use bus services who do not do so currently.

The lower fare offers most relevant to your area are summarised below.

Stagecoach

- Trial of a new £5 East Sussex DayRider ticket. This offers unlimited travel on all Stagecoach services in the East Sussex County Council area.
- Up to four children or young people age between 5-18 years can travel free with an adult who has a valid ticket or concession pass.
- For young people travelling independently there is a £1 single fare, available on any Stagecoach bus journey in East Sussex. This offer will be available up to 31st August.

North Wealden Community Transport (Wealdlink)

- Most single and day return fares on Wealdlink routes 224, 225 and 226 have been reduced, with a maximum fare of £5 which allows unlimited travel on their services for a whole day.
- Up to four children or young people age between 5-18 years can travel free with an adult who has a valid ticket or concession pass.
- For young people travelling independently there is a £1 single fare, available on any of these Wealdlink services. This offer will be available up to 31st August.

Thank you for your support.

Kind Regards

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