

**GREATER MANCHESTER TRANSPORT COMMITTEE
REPORT FOR APPROVAL**

Date: 09 August 2019
Subject: Forthcoming Changes to the Bus Network
Report of: Alison Chew, Interim Head of Bus Services, TfGM

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- i. To inform Members of the changes that have taken place to the bus network since the last Greater Manchester Transport Committee meeting, in addition to reporting on consequential action taken or proposed by Transport for Greater Manchester; and
- ii. To seek guidance from Members on proposed Transport for Greater Manchester action.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Members are asked to

- i. note and comment as appropriate on the changes to the commercial network and the proposals not to replace the de-registered commercial services as set out in Annex A;
- ii. agree that no action is proposed in respect of changes or de-registered commercial services as set out in Annex A;
- iii. agree that the proposed action is taken in respect of changes or de-registered commercial services as set out in Annex B; and
- iv. approve the proposed changes to general subsidised services set out in Annex C.

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Risk Management – n/a

Legal Considerations – n/a

Financial Consequences – Revenue – see paragraph 2 and Part B report

Financial Consequences – Capital – n/a

Number of attachments included in the report: main report only

BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Forthcoming Changes to the Bus Network report to the Greater Manchester Transport Committee, 12 July 2019.

TRACKING/PROCESS		
Does this report relate to a major strategic decision, as set out in the GMCA Constitution		No
EXEMPTION FROM CALL IN		
Are there any aspects in this report which means it should be considered to be exempt from call in by the relevant Scrutiny Committee on the grounds of urgency?		None
TfGMC	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	
n/a	n/a	

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1.1 The Transport Committee considers all matters relating to the operation and service performance of the bus network in Greater Manchester, including commercially registered and subsidised services; Demand Responsive Services, bus stations and bus stops; passenger information services; contract monitoring; vehicle standards; and passenger safety for the subsidised bus network.

1.2 Acting under delegated authority, the Transport Committee is tasked to review closely and approve all proposed changes to the subsidised bus network and ensure that the cost of the subsidised general services is kept within the appropriate budget or any cash limits. This is achieved through:-

- rationalisation of existing services whilst maintaining key links on the network;
- engaging with operators with the objective of them taking on “marginal commercial” services; and
- continuing to redesign and restructure grouped services to ensure that maximum value is obtained from subsidy.

1.3 In general, withdrawals, reductions or amendments to services are currently only planned at the date of next renewal of the contract concerned and proposed changes will be reported to this Committee.

1.4 The governance process that leads up to the reporting to the Transport Committee involves the scrutiny of all tendered services at TfGM’s Tender Panel that consists of representatives from Legal, Procurement and Finance as well as TfGM’s Operational Service Planning and Network Performance departments.

2. 2019/20 BUDGET SUMMARY

2.1 The summary provides the current position on the 2019/20 Subsidised Bus Services budget for the 3 month period to 30 June 2019.

	Year to date - June 2019				Budget 2019/20 £000
	Actual £000	Budget £000	Variance £000	Variance %	
General Network Costs					
General Bus Services	4,433	4,485	52	1.2%	19,505
Local Link	605	578	(27)	(4.8%)	2,335
Shuttles	586	546	(40)	(7.4%)	2,129
Sub-Total General Network	5,623	5,609	(16)	(0.3%)	23,969
Schools Services Costs	3,651	3,736	85	2.3%	13,895
Total – Subsidised Services costs	9,274	9,343	69	0.7%	37,864
General Network Income					
General Bus Services			33	4.1%	3,230
Local Link	842	809	7	10.1%	294
Shuttles	81	73	3	1.1%	1,031
Sub-Total General Network	1,198	1,155	43	3.8%	4,555
Schools Services income	1,336	1,414	(78)	(5.5%)	5,709
Total – Subsidised Services income	2,534	2,569	(35)	(1.4%)	10,264
Net Cost - Subsidised Services	6,740	6,774	34	0.5%	27,600

3. CHANGES TO COMMERCIAL SERVICES (ANNEX A)

- 3.1 Annex A to this report lists changes to commercial services which, in the view of Transport for Greater Manchester, are not sufficiently significant to require the provision of subsidised service replacements. Brief details of the implications of the changes are provided.

4. CHANGES TO THE COMMERCIAL NETWORK (ANNEX B)

- 4.1 Annex B to this report lists changes to commercial services and provides brief details of the implications of these changes, which officers believe are of sufficient importance to require

action by Transport for Greater Manchester. Details of the proposed actions are also provided.

5. CHANGES TO GENERAL SUBSIDISED SERVICES (ANNEX C)

5.1 Annex C to this report lists proposals for changes to general subsidised services on which the views of Members are requested. Information is given about the reasons for proposing these changes.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Annex A, presents no financial implications.

6.2 Annex B, financial implications are noted in Part B of the agenda.

6.3 Annex C, financial implications are noted in Part B of the agenda.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Recommendations are set out at the front of this report.

Alison Chew

Interim Head of Bus Services

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE COMMERCIAL NETWORK

ANNEX A

The Committee is requested to note the following changes to commercial services:

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Integration impact (modes/ticketing)	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
BN WN	7 Bolton – Westhoughton – Hindley – Wigan	Stagecoach	Saturday daytime service reduced from every 15 minutes to every 20 minutes. The first journey from Chequerbent – Wigan moves from 0645 to 0700, the first journey from Bolton re-timed from 0700 to 0715. The first journey from Wigan re-timed from 0615 to 0605.	01/09/2019	Alternative journeys within 5 – 10 minutes.	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.
ST MR TD	11 Stockport – Wythenshawe - Altrincham	Stagecoach	Sunday daytime service reduced from every 20 minutes to every 30 minutes. The first journey from Stockport moves from 0825 to 0755.	01/09/2019	Alternative journeys within 10 minutes.	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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MR TD	19/19A Altrincham – Sale – Wythenshawe	Arriva	Service 19A withdrawn completely. Service 19 frequency increased from every 30 minutes to every 20 minutes to partially replace.	01/09/2019	Service 19 predominantly covers the same route as 19A. Certain sections of otherwise unserved route, namely the section between Wythenshawe Centre and Newall Green i.e. Simonsway, Firbank Road and Hollyhedge Road, is served by MCT service 18. Moor Road will also be unserved but service 19 can be accessed via stops on Altrincham Road and Wythenshawe Road.	All customers will continue to be able to use System One tickets. Most customers will continue to be able to use discounted Arriva-only tickets. A small number of customers wishing to access the section of Newall Green will either need to use System One or MCT's own ticket offer.	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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RE OM MR	24 Rochdale – Royton – Manchester	First Manchester	Monday to Friday peak only service withdrawn. Departures from Rochdale at 0600, 0626 and 0650. Departures from Manchester at 1623, 1723, 1753 & 1823.	02/09/2019	Service 409 between Rochdale and Royton and services 181 and 182 between Royton, Chadderton and Manchester.	First Manchester's range of period tickets is available across services 409 and 181/182.	First Manchester have provided patronage data which shows on average 6.55 passengers per trip boarding between Rochdale and Royton on the AM journeys. Alternatives exist by transferring at Royton, between services 409 and 181/182. No TfGM action proposed at this stage.
ST MR TD	50 East Didsbury – Manchester – Salford Quays	Stagecoach	Alternate AM peak northbound journeys run direct between Salford University and Salford Quays, i.e. not via Pendleton, as service 51.	01/09/2019	Alternative journeys within 10 minutes.	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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MR RE	117 Manchester – Moston – New Moston - Greengate	Stagecoach	New service providing additional buses on Moston Lane and a new service via New Moston. Will operate every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime and every 60 minutes Sunday daytime.	01/09/2019	New service	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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MR RE	118/118A Manchester – Moston – Charlestown – NMGH / Dam Head	Stagecoach	<p>Monday to Saturday 6 buses per hour frequency amended to run every 15 minutes to North Manchester General Hospital (NMGH) (as 118) and every 30 minutes to Dam Head (as 118A, renumbered to 119). Sunday daytime service to Dam Head reduced from every 30 minutes to every 60 minutes.</p> <p>Services 112/7/8/9 are co-ordinated to form a 5 minute Monday to Saturday daytime service and a 10 minute Sunday daytime service between Manchester and Moston Cemetery.</p>	01/09/2019	Alternative journeys to Dam Head within 10 minutes.	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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RE OM MR	181 (Rochdale) - Shaw – Royton - Manchester	First Manchester	Monday to Saturday daytime service reduced from every 30 minutes to hourly.	02/09/2019	Weekday peak service will still operate every 30 minutes. Service 181 will combine with service 182 to provide a 20 minute off peak daytime service between Chadderton and Manchester. Service 58 journeys from Rochdale to Milnrow and Shaw at 0600 and 0700.	First Manchester's range of period tickets is available across services 58 and 181/182. Metrolink provides an end to end option from Manchester, via Dean Lane to Shaw.	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Integration impact (modes/ticketing)	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
RE OM MR	182 (Rochdale) – Shaw – Royton - Manchester	First Manchester	Morning peak journeys which currently extend from Rochdale at 0526 and Milnrow at 0604, 0633, 0658 & 0723 revised and replaced by journeys (from Milnrow only) at 0559, 0623 & 0653. Saturday early morning journeys revised: 0514 Chadderton-Manchester retimed 30 minutes later 0550 & 0650 Manchester-Shaw replaced by one journey at 0620. 0551 Shaw to Manchester withdrawn. Alternative journeys within 30 minutes.	02/09/2019	Service 58 journeys from Rochdale to Milnrow and Shaw at 0600 and 0700.	First Manchester's range of period tickets is available across service 58. Metrolink provides an end to end option from Manchester, via Dean Lane to Shaw.	The journeys at 0514 and 0550 were introduced in April 2018 as part of a trial to stimulate early morning usage. On average these journeys are only carrying 5 passengers per trip. No TfGM action proposed at this stage.
MR ST	197 Manchester – Levenshulme – Stockport	Stagecoach	Saturday daytime service reduced from every 20 minutes to every 30 minutes.	01/09/2019	Alternative journeys within 10 minutes.	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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MR ST	204 Manchester – Gorton – Denton – Hyde	Stagecoach	Last inbound (Hyde to Manchester) journey amended from 2316 to 2246 (Mon-Sat) or 2146 (Sunday)	01/09/2019	Later journeys continue to be provided on service 201.	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.
TE	236 Ashton – Stalybridge – Glossop	Stagecoach	Sunday daytime service withdrawn.	01/09/2019	Service 237 will still provide an hourly Sunday daytime service between Ashton, Stalybridge, Mottram and Glossop. East Tameside Local Link also provides a door to door service in the affected area between 9am and 9pm on Sundays.	Stagecoach only tickets can be used on service 237. Separate Local Link tickets will be required, unless customers have a System One product.	Woolley Lane, Hollingworth becomes unserved on Sunday daytimes. 650m from Gun Inn to County Boundary. 3 stops affected (2 towards Glossop, 1 towards Ashton). No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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TD	245 Altrincham – Sale – Urmston – Trafford Centre	Arriva	Service re-routed between Altrincham and Sale to run direct via A56	01/09/2019	Service 19 predominantly covers the same route as the current 245 between Altrincham and Sale, this will increase in frequency. Direct links between Ashton and Urmston, Flixton and Trafford Centre are lost but otherwise maintained by Interchange.	All customers will continue to be able to use System One tickets. Most customers will continue to be able to use discounted Arriva only tickets. A limited number of customers will need to interchange at Sale with those in the late evening needing to transfer from Arriva to Diamond and vice versa.	No TfGM action proposed at this stage.

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TE	<p>38 Ashton – Hazelhurst – Kings Road – Ashton</p> <p>39 Ashton – Kings Road – Hazelhurst – Ashton</p> <p>331 Ashton – Smallshaw – Hurst Cross – Ashton</p> <p>333 Ashton – Hurst Cross – Smallshaw – Ashton</p> <p>393 Ashton – Smallshaw – Hartshead – Ashton</p>	First Manchester	Ashton local services, each operating every 30 minutes during Monday to Saturday daytime, withdrawn.	02/09/2019	<p>Broad oak, Hartshead & Hurst Cross – service 231 every 30 minutes to Manchester, Droylsden, Tameside General Hospital and Ashton.</p> <p>New services 336 & 337 will maintain the main links to Ashton from Broad oak, Hurst Cross and Hazelhurst.</p> <p>Additionally, Officers propose re-routing service 396 to serve Union Road and Ladbrooke Road.</p> <p>The following roads become unserved (<i>max distance to alternative bus stop</i>):</p>	<p>Stagecoach Manchester's own range of period tickets will be valid on services 231, 336 & 337 providing lower cost options for passengers who may have previously had to use services operated by First and Stagecoach during the daytime.</p> <p>The evening and Sunday network will continue to be provided by Manchester Community Transport.</p> <p>At these times the System One ticket range will continue to be available.</p>	<p>First Manchester have provided patronage data which shows average usage per trip as follows:</p> <p>Service 38 – 14 passengers Service 39 – 14 passengers Service 331 – 11 passengers Service 333 – 11 passengers Service 393 – 12 passengers</p> <p>TfGM Officers contacted local bus companies with a view to securing commercial replacement of the withdrawn services. Stagecoach Manchester to introduce new services 336 and 337, each operating every 30 minutes and</p>

					<p>Smallshaw Lane (540m) Curzon Road (310m) Whiteacre Road (450m) Kings Road (450m) Leech Avenue & Palace Road (350m)</p>		<p>maintaining links between Ashton, Broadoak, Hurst Cross and Hazelhurst. Please note: TfGM officers did consider whether service 396 could serve more of Smallshaw but there was not sufficient spare time in the schedule. Officers propose a number of changes to the evening and Sunday network to match the new network. Please see Annex C for further details.</p>
TE	336 & 337 Ashton – Broadoak – Hurst Cross – Hazelhurst Circulars	Stagecoach Manchester	Monday to Saturday circular services introduced, each operating every 30 minutes and largely replacing withdrawn services 38, 39, 331 & 333.	02/09/2019	See above	See above	These services provide commercial replacement of large parts of services 38, 39, 331 & 333.

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RE	<p>454 Rochdale – Littleborough – Shore – Stansfield circular</p> <p>457 Rochdale – Littleborough – Stansfield – Shore circular</p>	First Manchester	Monday to Saturday daytime services both operating half hourly withdrawn	01/09/2019	<p>Partially replaced by new service 588</p> <p>Services 589 590 via Todmorden Road</p>	First tickets will continue to be available.	No TfGM action proposed at this stage
RE	588 NEW Rochdale – Shore – Stansfield - Littleborough	First West Yorkshire	Monday to Saturday daytime service operating half hourly	01/09/2019	<p>Operates via service 454 route but does not serve Littleborough Rail Station.</p> <p>Rosso service 457 Rochdale – Littleborough serves the Rail Station Monday to Saturday half hourly.</p>	First tickets will continue to be available across Halifax Road services.	No TfGM action proposed at this stage

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BN	502 NEW Bolton – Brownlow Fold – Johnson Fold – Chorley Old Road Circular	Vision Bus	Monday to Saturday circular service introduced operating every half hour	02/09/2019	----	Stagecoach operate 125 along Chorley Old Road and Diamond Bus operate 501 via Brownlow Fold to Johnson Fold.	In response to Councillor and resident representations to re-instate former link between Johnson Fold and amenities on Chorley Old Road previously provided by withdrawn First service 519. No TfGM action proposed at this stage

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BN	503 NEW Bolton – Chorley Old Road – Johnson Fold – Brownlow Fold Circular	Vision Bus	Monday to Saturday circular service introduced operating every half hour	02/09/2019	----	Stagecoach operate 125 along Chorley Old Road and Diamond Bus operate 501 via Brownlow Fold to Johnson Fold.	In response to Councillor and resident representations to re-instate former link between amenities on Chorley Old Road and Johnson Fold previously provided by withdrawn First service 519. No TfGM action proposed at this stage
BY SD MR	X41 Red Express Accrington – Ramsbottom – Prestwich – Manchester	Transdev	Off peak journeys reduced to hourly with additional peak journeys provided	01/09/2019	N/A	N/A	No TfGM action proposed at this stage

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE COMMERCIAL NETWORK

ANNEX B

The Committee is requested to agree that action is taken regarding the following changed or de-registered services:

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Integration impact (modes/ticketing)	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
TE	389 Ashton – Ridge Hill – Stalybridge – Hyde	First Manchester	Ashton local service, operating every 30 minutes during Monday to Saturday daytime, withdrawn.	02/09/2019	Service 346 provides a 15 minute daytime service between Ashton, Dukinfield and Hyde. Connections can be made between services 346 and 389 on Cheetham Hill Road. A section of Lodge Lane (Dukinfield) becomes unserved (max 450m to nearest bus stop).	Stagecoach Manchester’s own range of period tickets will be valid on services 346 & 389. The evening and Sunday network will continue to be provided by Manchester Community Transport. At these times the System One ticket range will continue to be available.	First Manchester have provided patronage data which shows average usage per trip of 22 passengers. TfGM Officers contacted local bus companies with a view to securing commercial replacement of the withdrawn services. Replacement journeys to be introduced by Stagecoach Manchester operating every 30 minutes along the busiest section of the route between Ashton, Ridge Hill, Stalybridge and (Dukinfield) Yew Tree.

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator	Proposed Change	Effective From	Alternative Services	Integration impact (modes/ticketing)	Comments/TfGM officer recommendations
							<p>Service 389 will no longer continue beyond Yew Tree towards Hyde.</p> <p>Officers propose the revision of evening and Sunday journeys to match the new route of service 389. Please see Annex C for further details.</p> <p>Stagecoach Manchester has requested short term funding of this service until January 2020, with a review to be carried out between Stagecoach TfGM officers in Autumn 2019 to analyse usage and determine whether funding is required beyond that point.</p> <p>Further information will be provided under Part B.</p>

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WN SD MR	V1-V4 Leigh, Atherton, Ellenbrook – Manchester - MRI	First Manchester	Timetable revised, largely reverting to service level in place prior to July 2019. Additional peak journeys re-introduced, revision to some peak journeys to remove lightly used journeys and transferring resource to support busier journeys.	01/09/2019	N/A	N/A	Further information will be provided under Part B.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE SUBSIDISED NETWORK

ANNEX C

The Committee is invited to consider officers’ proposals on the following services:

Dist	Service, route and operator	TfGM officer comments and recommendations
TE	<p>38 & 39 Ashton – Hazelhurst Circulars Manchester Community Transport</p>	<p>Following the withdrawal of the daytime commercial services 38 & 39 and their subsequent replacement by new services 336 & 337 officers recommend that the evening and Sunday journeys on these services (provided by MCT under contract to TfGM) are also revised to match the changes to the daytime bus network.</p> <p>New evening & Sunday journeys on service 396 would maintain a service along Union Road. Details of distances to alternative services are shown under Annex A.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to withdraw subsidised journeys on Services 38 & 39 and replace them with new subsidised journeys on Services 336 & 337 with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal.</p>
TE	<p>232 Ashton – Hurst Cross – Hartshead – Broadoak – Hurst Cross Circular Manchester Community Transport</p>	<p>Currently, the evening and Sunday hourly service 232 follows a very different route from the daytime equivalent service (231).</p> <p>Officers propose revising the service to operate in and out via Hartshead (turning at Broadoak roundabout). This will ensure that passengers travelling to and from Ashton board on the same side of the road as they would during the daytime.</p> <p>Services 336 & 337 will provide the links to between Ashton, Broadoak and Hurst Cross which are currently provided by service 232.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to revise the route of Service 232, to simplify the local network, with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal.</p>

Dist	Service, route and operator	TfGM officer comments and recommendations
TE	<p>332</p> <p>Ashton – Broadoak – Smallshaw Circular</p> <p>Manchester Community Transport</p>	<p>Service 332 currently runs during the evening and Sunday only, providing links that are provided by Services 331, 333 and 393 during the daytime.</p> <p>As those services are being withdrawn officers are recommending that Service 332 is also withdrawn.</p> <p>Services 336 & 337 will maintain links between Ashton, Broadoak and the top of Smallshaw and new journeys on Service 396 will provide a service to the south of Smallshaw, along Ladbroke Road.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to withdraw hourly evening and Sunday service 332 with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal.</p>
TE	<p>336 & 337</p> <p>Ashton – Broadoak – Hurst Cross – Hazelhurst Circulars</p> <p>Manchester Community Transport</p>	<p>As noted under Annex A of this report Stagecoach Manchester will be introducing new Services 336 & 337 to replace First’s withdrawn Services 38, 39, 331 and 333.</p> <p>Officers propose the introduction of subsidised hourly evening and Sunday journeys on these services replacing subsidised services currently provided on Services 38, 39 & 332.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to introduce hourly evening and Sunday Services 336 & 337 with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal.</p>

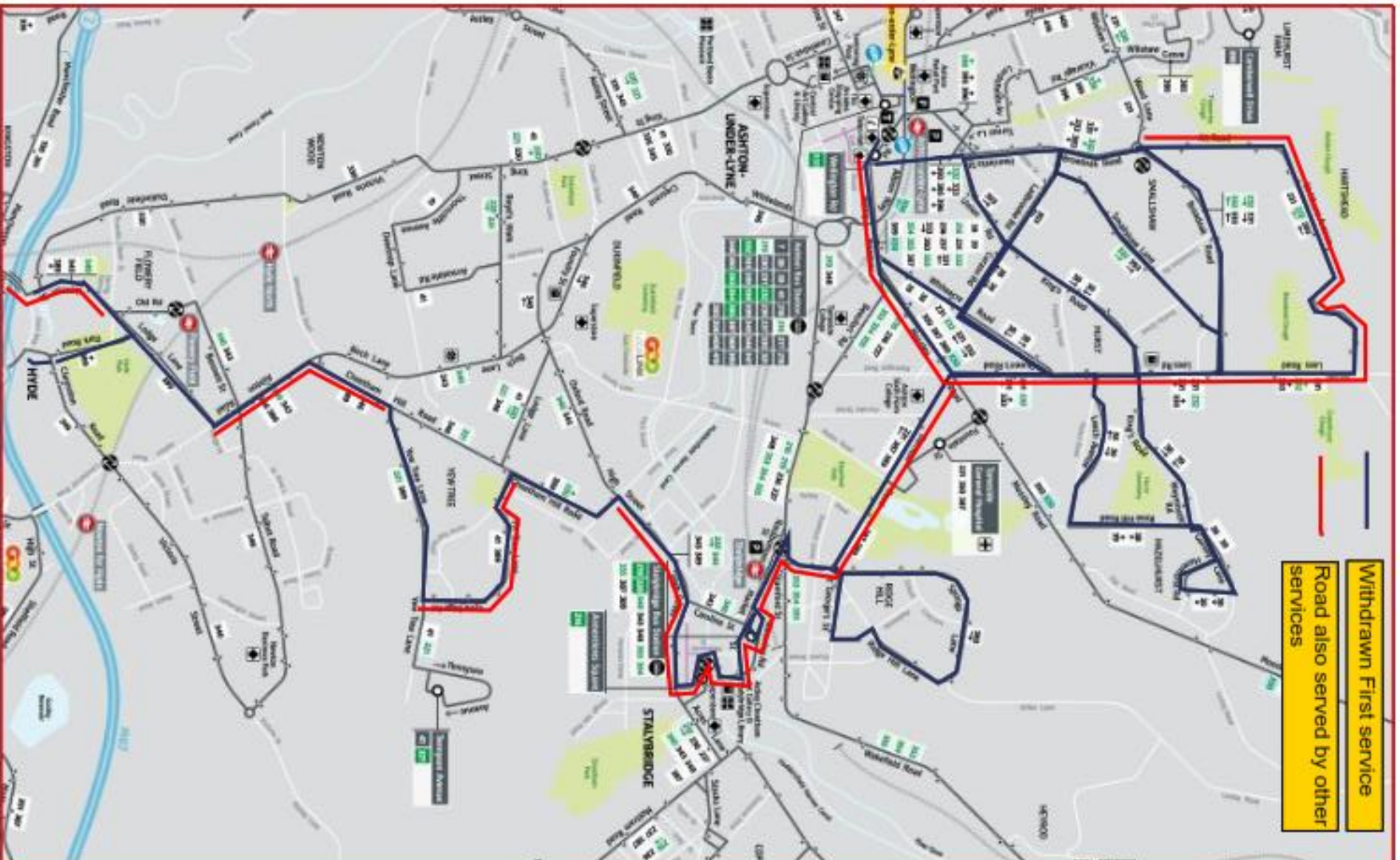
Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator
TE	<p>338 (339) Ashton – Waterloo – Crowhill Manchester Community Transport</p>	<p>Service 338 currently operates hourly during Sunday daytime providing links to Waterloo, currently provided by Services 395/396 during Monday to Saturday and to Crowhill, currently provided by Service 339 during Monday to Saturday daytime.</p> <p>Further to officers’ proposal to divert Service 396 away from Waterloo during Monday to Saturday daytimes, it is proposed that Service 338 is withdrawn and replaced by journeys on Service 339 meaning Crowhill will be served by the same service 7 days a week. There is little evidence of usage along the affected section of route.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to withdraw Sunday daytime Service 338 and replace it with new journeys on Service 339 with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal.</p>

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator
TE	<p>389</p> <p>Ashton – Ridge Hill – Stalybridge – Yew Tree – (Hyde – Gee Cross)</p> <p>Manchester Community Transport</p>	<p>Service 389 is currently operated by First Manchester, every 30 minutes during Monday to Saturday daytime, between Ashton and Hyde.</p> <p>As noted under Annex A Stagecoach are to replace First as the operator of the daytime service, running a shorter route between Ashton and Yew Tree only.</p> <p>Currently, the subsidised hourly evening and Sunday service continues beyond Hyde to maintain links between Hyde and Gee Cross that are provided by Services 342 & 344 during the daytime off peak.</p> <p>Officers propose the curtailment of subsidised journeys, to match the new daytime route, operating between Ashton and Yew Tree only.</p> <p>Service 346 provides a 60/70 minute frequency between Ashton, Dukinfield and Hyde during the evening and Sundays and the stops on the Knott Lane/Waverley Road estate (between Hyde and Gee Cross) are a maximum distance of 460 metres from Service 330 which provides a 20 minute Sunday daytime and half hourly evening link to Gee Cross, Hyde and Ashton.</p> <p>The curtailment of Service 389 will allow resources to be transferred to Service 396, which will partially replace Services 338 and 332.</p> <p>Surveys show on average 3 passengers per trip travelling between Yew Tree and Hyde, with 0.55 per trip on the section between Hyde and Gee Cross.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to revise the route of Service 389, to match the daytime service, with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal.</p>

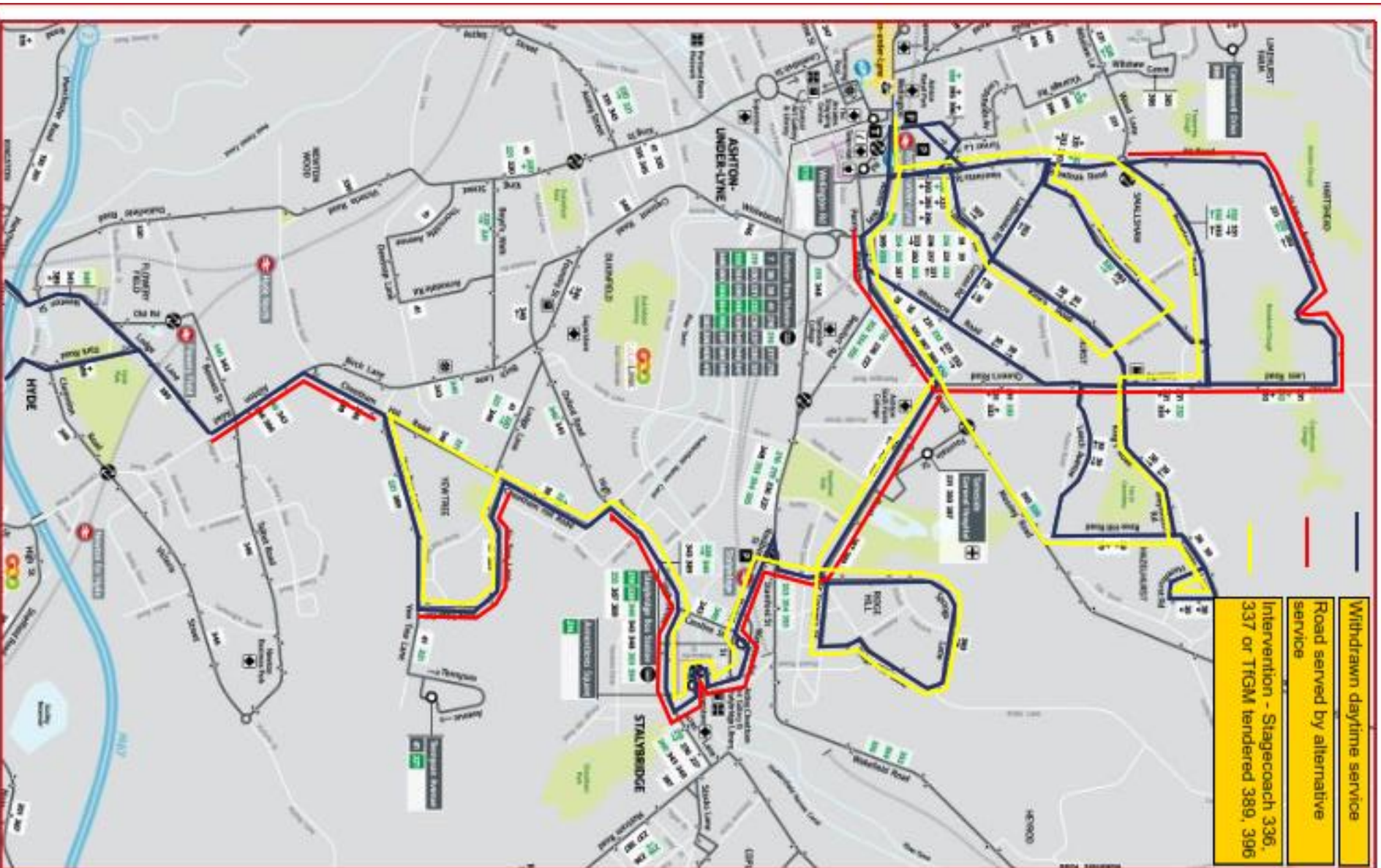
Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator
TE	<p>395 Ashton – Waterloo – Limehurst Farm Stotts Buses</p>	<p>For some time officers have been aware of timing issues on this service, and Service 396 which it interworks with.</p> <p>The service has been retimed on a number of occasions, however, the issues persist.</p> <p>Officers propose the withdrawal of service 395 (which combines with service 396 to provide a half hourly service between Ashton and Waterloo) so that resources can be transferred to Service 396, which would be diverted to serve Limehurst Farm estate, to improve service reliability and punctuality.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to withdraw Service 395, with effect from Monday 2nd September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal, with resource transferring to Service 396.</p>

Dist	Service No. and Route	Operator
TE	<p>396</p> <p>Ashton – Waterloo – Fitton Hill – Failsworth – Newton Heath</p> <p>Stotts Buses (Monday to Saturday daytime)</p> <p>Manchester Community Transport (Evenings & Sundays)</p>	<p>As noted above officers propose the withdrawal of Service 395, with Service 396 diverted to cover Limehurst Farm.</p> <p>Additionally, following the withdrawal of the Monday to Saturday daytime Services 38, 39 & 393 officers propose that the service is diverted away from Turner Lane and Vicarage Road (North of Ashton, a maximum distance of 400 metres from alternatives) to serve Union Road and Ladbrooke Road providing an option for residents who previously were able to use Service 38, 39 & 393.</p> <p>Following a number of complaints, where buses have become stuck it is proposed that the route is revised between Wilshaw Grove and Oldham Road to omit Southway, Yew Tree Close, Beech Mount & Reins Lee Road (a maximum distance of 250 metres from Wilshaw Grove).</p> <p>It is also proposed that an hourly evening and Sunday service is introduced, running between Ashton and Limehurst Farm which will also provide new evening and Sunday links along Vicarage Road, Wilshaw Grove and Limehurst Farm which don't currently exist.</p> <p>Members are asked to approve the recommendation to re-route Monday to Saturday daytime journeys and introduce new evening & Sunday journeys, with effect from Sunday 1st September. There are no financial implications arising as a result of this proposal, as resource will be transferred from the withdrawn Service 395.</p>

First Manchester withdrawals (Ashton-Under-Lyne) September 2019

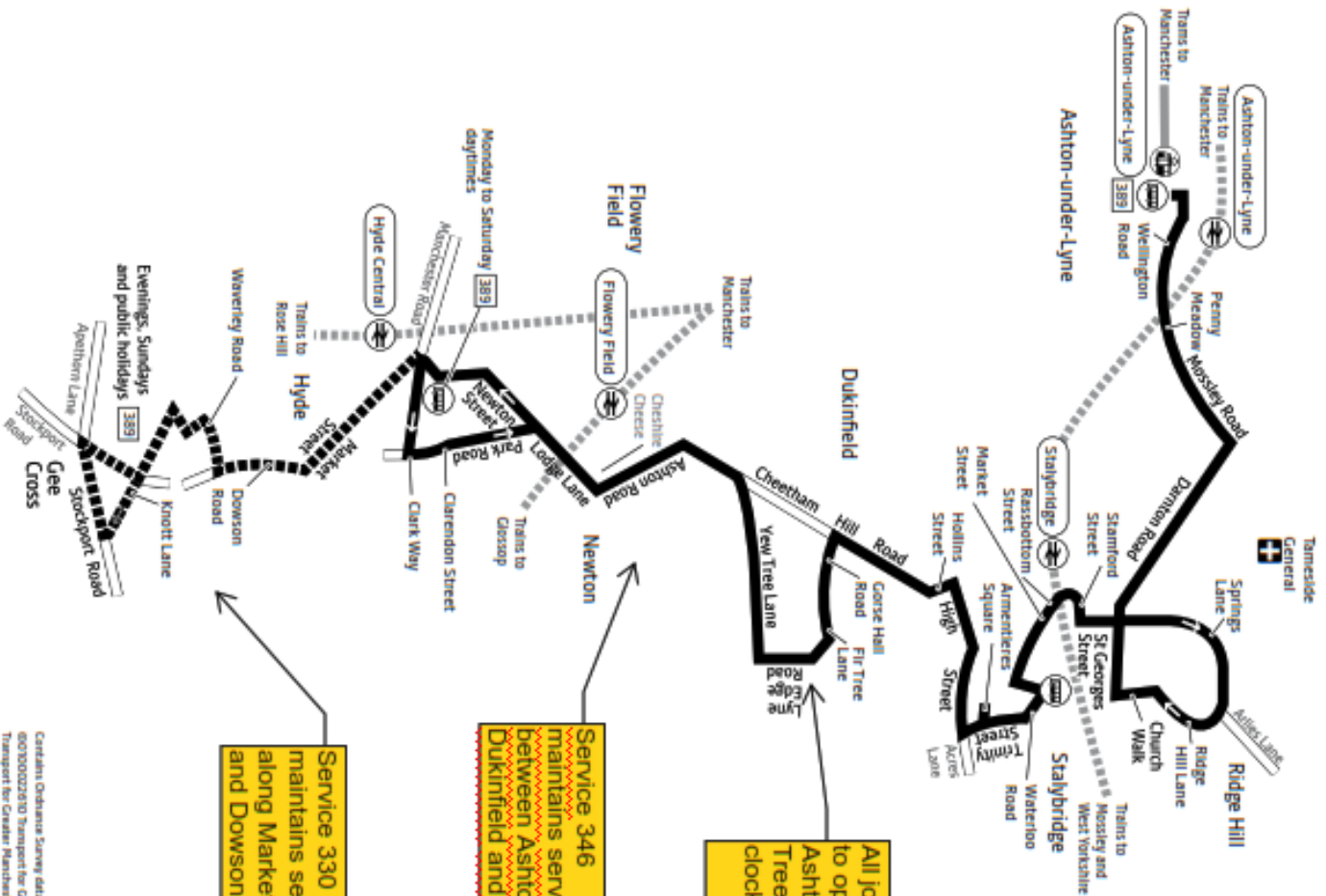


Proposed Interventions (Ashton-Under-Lyne) September 2019



389

- Key**
- Bus route
 - Evenings, Sundays and public holidays only
 - Train line
 - Tram line
 - Direction of travel
 - Bus station/connection point
 - Train station
 - Metrolink stop
 - Hospital
 - Terminus



All journeys revised to operate between Ashton and Yew Tree. Following a clockwise loop.

Service 346 maintains service between Ashton, Dukinfield and Hyde.

Service 330 maintains service along Market Street and Dowson Road.

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Ashton Bus Station

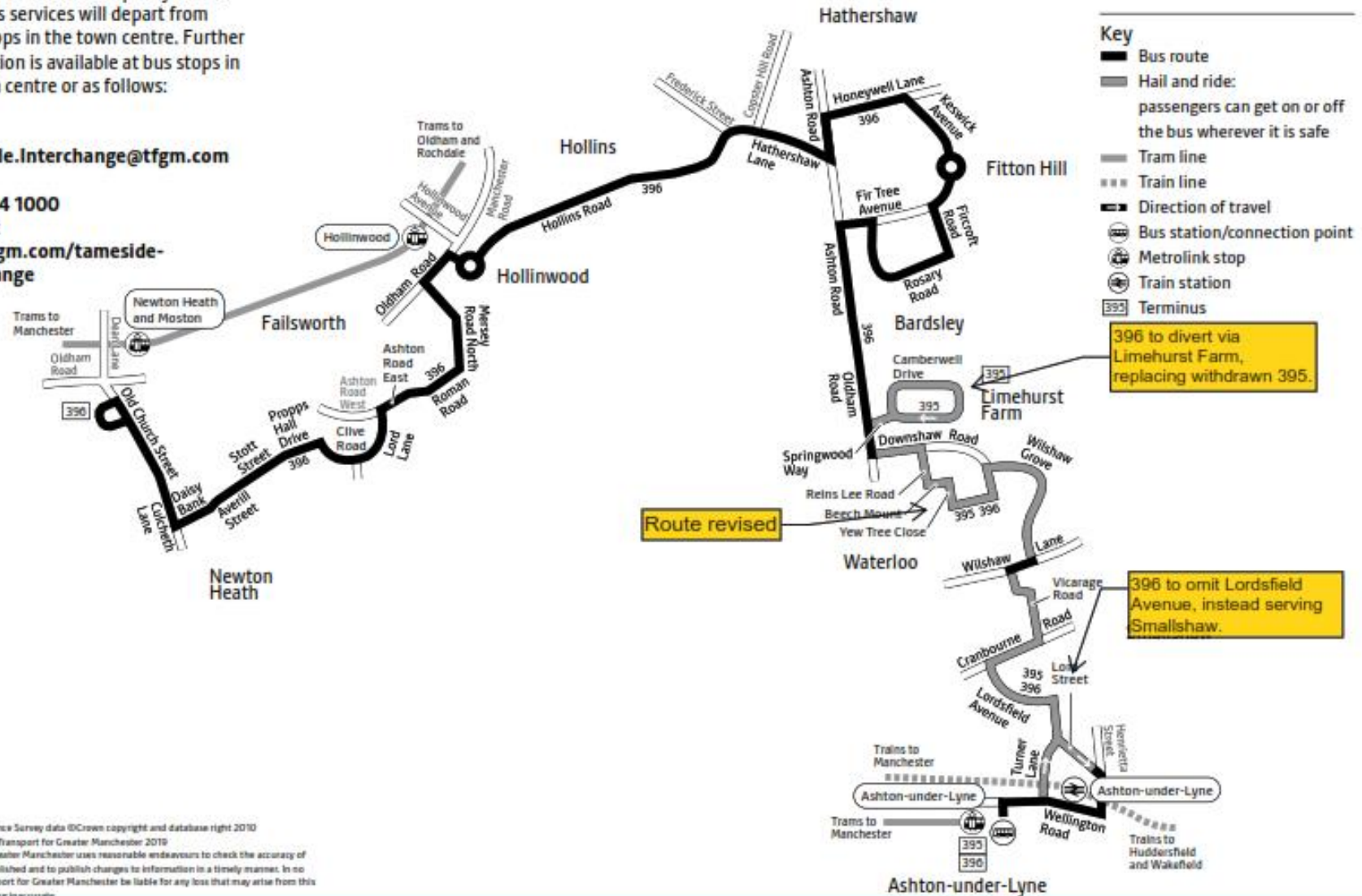
Ashton Bus Station partly closed for redevelopment on 24 June 2018. While the bus station is partly closed, some bus services will depart from other stops in the town centre. Further information is available at bus stops in the town centre or as follows:

Email: Tameside.Interchange@tfgm.com
 Phone: 0161 244 1000
 Website: www.tfgm.com/tameside-interchange

Service 395 withdrawn
 Service 396 expanded to cover 393 & 395
 New evening & Sunday journeys introduced between Ashton and Limehurst Farm

395 396

- Key**
- Bus route
 - Hail and ride: passengers can get on or off the bus wherever it is safe
 - Tram line
 - Train line
 - Direction of travel
 - Bus station/connection point
 - Metrolink stop
 - Train station
 - Terminus



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