

DEEPING ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

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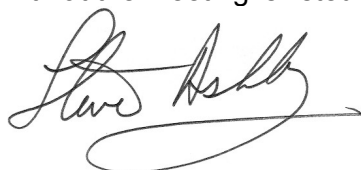
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Parish Clerk: Steve Ashby

Dear Councillors Baxter, Coulson, Lindfors-Windsor, Pelling, and Wallis. Councillor Dilks as ex officio member.

(Copy for Information to Cllr Stevens as member of Taxi Bus Working Party)

You are hereby summoned to attend the next meeting of the **Transport Committee** on **Thursday 17 November 2011 at 7.45 pm** in the **Meeting Room at the Institute**. The business to be dealt with at the meeting is listed in the agenda.



Steve Ashby
Clerk to the Council
11 November 2011

Agenda

- 16.12 To receive apologies for absence**
- 17.12 To receive declarations of interest (if any)**
- 18.12 To agree the Minutes of the meeting of 15 September 2011**
- 19.12 Matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda meeting.**
- 20.12 Speeding In Deeping St James – update from the Clerk**
- 21.12 To decide on the continuation of the existing contractor for cleaning and safety inspection of bus shelters for 2012/13 and recommend to Council. (Enclosure 1 overleaf)**
- 22.12 To consider location of Deeping St James sign on Station Road and recommend to Council. (Enclosure 2)**
- 23.12 Buses in Deeping St James – update of Taxi Bus service and proposal of Tim Stevens (Enclosure 3)**
- 24.12 To agree the Date and Time of the next meeting**

Bus Shelter (& Telephone Kiosk) Cleaning

The Bus Shelters need to be cleaned and inspected for safety reasons and to identify damage. Additionally the telephone kiosk needs to be cleaned. The cleaning and inspections take place 4 times a year at approx 3 monthly intervals. Once a year, the bus shelter roofs are cleaned.

For several years this has been carried out by Castle Cleaners of Deeping St Nicholas. For 2010/11 and 2011/12 their prices (ex vat), per visit, were as below:-

Clean each bus shelter	10.00
Safety Inspect each shelter	4.00
Clean Roof of shelter	8.00
Clean Telephone Box	10.00

For the new year starting in April 2012, Castle Cleaners have again quoted the above prices without increase.

The annual quoted cost for cleaning and inspecting bus shelters is £640.00 (£40.00 for the telephone kiosk).

Village Sign – approaching from Crowland

At Council in September it was reported that when approaching Deeping St James from Crowland there was no Village sign until approaching Back Lane along Stowgate Road. As a result a request was made to LCC to see if a sign could be placed nearer to the actual village boundary near the nature reserve.

LCC have responded to say that they are happy to position a sign near the nature reserve however they say that it cannot be on the Crowland Road / Low Bank stretch as the verge is too narrow. So the option is to place the sign somewhere north of the entrance to the nature reserve car park.

A suggestion is perhaps a mid point between the nature reserve entrance and the direction sign on Station road showing which way to enter Eastgate for local traffic or through route for other traffic. Other options could be to site it nearer to the nature reserve or nearer to the direction sign.

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Date: Tue, 11 Oct 2011 10:41:15 +0100

Dear Cllr Dilks

As a transport professional (unconnected with any of the local bus companies!), I have been following the events of the DSJ "bus problem" with interest. Although I am fortunate to live within walking distance of the Delaine service 102, I realise that a large part of the village has been left remote from any practical bus service to/from Peterborough since withdrawal of the Stagecoach service. I applaud the Parish Council's efforts to provide a taxi service to connect with a morning bus, but I understand it is in danger of withdrawal unless more people use it.

This set me thinking ... is there a way of using the existing bus services to create a link from DSJ to Peterborough? I believe there is, by using Shaws service 100, slightly re-timed, to connect with the Delaine 102 at a newly-created "bus interchange" at the Spalding Road/Linchfield Road junction. The attached paper sets out my idea, and I would be interested to know what you think of it. If the Parish Council feels it has some merit, please feel free to pursue it with Lincolnshire County Council and the bus operators.

I would be happy to discuss this further if you wish.

Yours sincerely

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DEEPING ST JAMES - POSSIBLE BUS INTERCHANGE

A proposal by Tim Stevens, October 2011

Background

Since the withdrawal of Stagecoach service 22, parts of Deeping St James have been left remote from a bus service to/from Peterborough. Delaine Buses have helpfully re-routed their Peterborough service 102 via Thackers Way and Godsey Lane, which benefits people in those areas. Delaine Buses have also re-routed their Stamford service 203 via Church Street, Broadgate Lane and Spalding Road in the daytime, which is useful for people wanting to travel to/from Market Deeping or Stamford, but this does not operate at peak times, and does not make good connections to/from Peterborough.

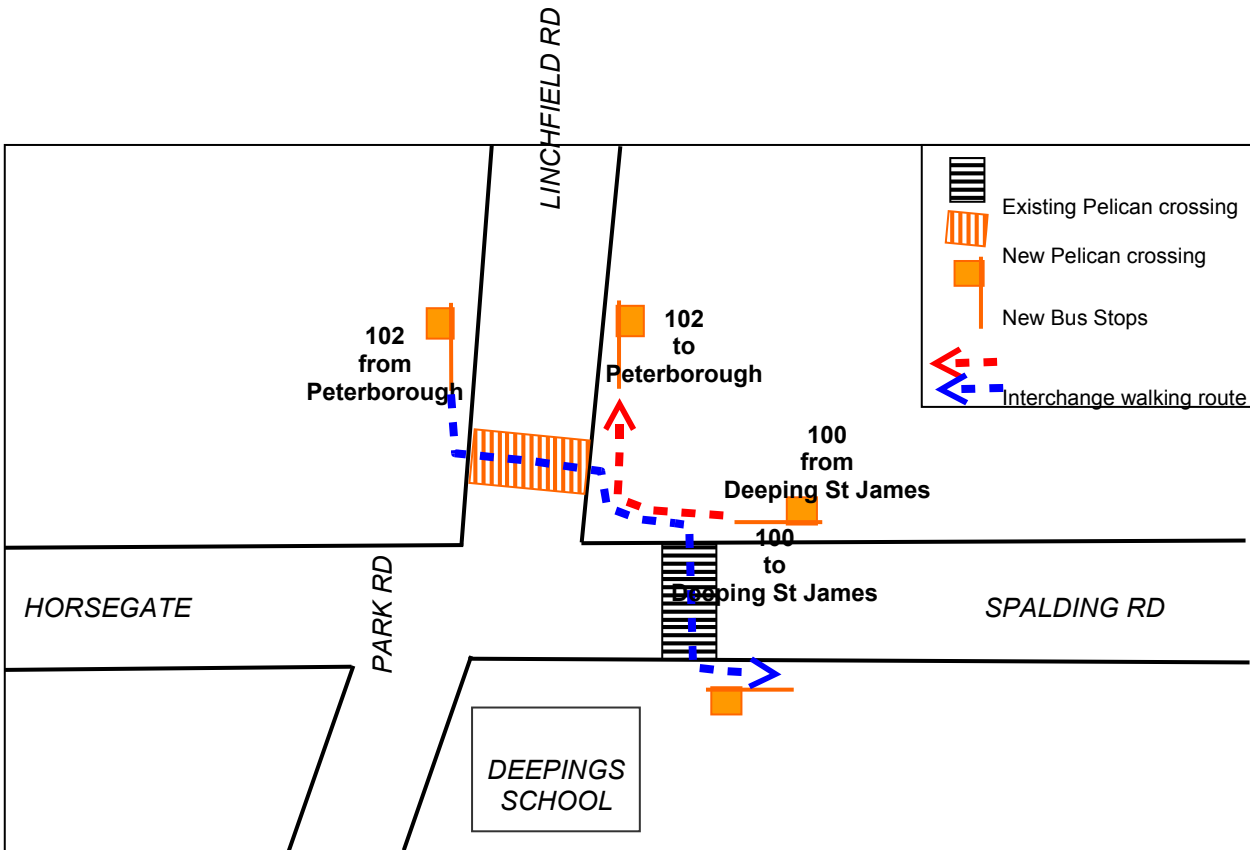
Deeping St James Parish Council has arranged a taxi service to convey people to Horsegate to connect with the Delaine service 102 to Peterborough at 7.25am, but the take-up of this taxi service has not been as high as expected, and its continuation is dependent upon attracting a greater number of passengers.

A possible solution

A long-term solution is needed that does not entail significant additional costs or subsidy. This could be achieved by using the existing Shaws Spalding service 100, which already serves the heart of Deeping St James. With minor re-timing of this service, and the creation of a "bus interchange" at the junction of Horsegate/Spalding Road/Linchfield Road, a convenient connection could be provided between the Shaws service 100 and the Delaine service 102, enabling Deeping St James residents to travel to and from work, shopping etc in Peterborough. With the agreement of the operators and/or Lincolnshire County Council, it may be possible to provide through ticketing facilities.

Creation of a “bus interchange”

With some modest works around the Horsegate/Spalding Road/Linchfield Road junction, involving the provision of new bus stops and a new Pelican crossing in Linchfield Road, a simple “bus interchange” could be created for passengers to interchange easily between Shaws service 100 and Delaine service 102. The following simplified drawing shows how this might look:



Provision of a new Pelican crossing in Linchfield Road would have wider benefits for the community, making it easier for pedestrians to cross a busy road. Further improvements might include the provision of twin mini-roundabouts at the Horsegate/Park Road/Spalding Road/Linchfield Road junction, which would have the effect of slowing-down traffic on the main road and making it easier for vehicles emerging from the side roads. Bus shelters could also be provided.

Bus services

With only minor re-timings (and no route changes) to the Shaws service 100, and no changes to the Delaine service 102, convenient connections could be provided via the “bus interchange”, at times suitable for travelling to and from work, as well as morning shopping in Peterborough. The timetable would be as follows:

TO PETERBOROUGH

<i>service >>></i>	100 Not Sat	100	100
Deeping St James - Church Gate	07.43	09.43	11.43
Deeping St James - Bus Interchange	07.50	09.50	11.50
<i>service >>></i>	102	102	102
Deeping St James - Bus Interchange	07.55	09.55	11.55
Peterborough - Queensgate Bus Stn	08.22	10.20	12.20

FROM PETERBOROUGH

<i>service >>></i>	102	102	102 Not Sat
Peterborough - Queensgate Bus Stn	10.20	12.20	17.45
Deeping St James - Bus Interchange	10.44	12.44	18.09
<i>service >>></i>	100	100	100 Not Sat

Deeping St James - Bus Interchange	10.51	12.51	18.14
Deeping St James - Church Gate	10.58	12.58	18.20

In addition, there is an existing facility for passengers returning from Peterborough at 16.30, interchanging at Market Deeping, with a short walk from Church Street to the Market Place, as follows:

FROM PETERBOROUGH

<i>service >>></i>	<i>101</i>
Peterborough - Queensgate Bus Stn	16.30
Market Deeping - Church Street	16.50
<i>service >>></i>	<i>100 Not Sat</i>
Market Deeping - Market Place	17.05
Deeping St James - Church Gate	17.10

Conclusion

A link from Deeping St James (Church Street, Broadgate Lane etc) to and from Peterborough, with one simple and convenient interchange, could be created using existing bus services and at modest capital cost.

It is suggested that Deeping St James Parish Council should consider this proposal, and discuss it further with the bus operators and Lincolnshire County Council, with a view to implementing a “bus interchange” at the junction of Horsegate/Spalding Road/Linchfield Road, for the lasting benefit of Deeping St James bus travellers.

