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Parents of students using Mawbanna school buses

Dear Parents,

Proposed Merger of Mawbanna School Buses

The Department of State Growth has responsibility for contracting school bus services across Tasmania. As part of a recontracting process, the department has been reviewing bus services around the state to ensure that the contracted bus network meets school transport needs, is provided in a fair and equitable way across the state, and is sustainable.

This review has identified that the passenger numbers on Mawbanna buses is at a level where it appears possible to operate a single service for this area. Given this, and following discussions with the operator and the school, we are proposing to merge these two services into a single service, commencing at the start of the 2018 school year. Note: The two existing services will continue to operate for the remainder of the 2017 school year.

There are currently two services running from Mawbanna. Under the proposal, the Mawbanna to Smithton route will be shortened to provide a service from Wiltshire to Smithton. The other remaining Mawbanna service will continue to stop at Forest Primary, and then the service will run a second trip from Mengha to Forest primary.

Students travelling from Mawbanna to Smithton will transfer onto the Edgcumbe Beach service at a suitable, safe location on the Bass Highway.

While the proposal to merge the existing services would mean that some students would have a slightly longer travel time, the longest travel times are still considered reasonable for primary school students.

Attached is a copy of the indicative timetables for the proposed services.

Before a final decision is made in regard to the future of the service, I wish to give all affected parents/students the opportunity to provide feedback. If you wish to provide any comment/feedback please contact me on 6166 3296 by the 8th November 2017.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Kruup
POLICY ANALYST (PROJECT 2018)

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Proposed Timetable - Mawbanna to Forest Primary via Mengha

Stop Location	AM Estimated Arrival Time	Stop Location	PM Estimated Arrival Time
64 Wrights Road	7:35	Forest Primary School	2:47
2282 Mawbanna Rd	7:37	Ainslie's Road	2:53
1853 Mawbanna Road	7:44	303 South Road	2:57
1719 Mawbanna Rd	7:46	Sampsons Road	2:59
Etchells Road	7:47	South road/Faheys Lane	3:02
1414 Mawbanna Rd	7:50	334 South Road	3:03
Mawbanna Turn Off	8:03	148 South Road	3:06
Transfer Bass Highway	8:05	1000 Mengha Road	3:08
Wiltshire T'Off	8:10	908 Backline Road	3:15
908 Backline Road	8:11	Wiltshire T'Off	3:16
Forest Primary School	8:15	Transfer Bass Highway	3:39
Ainslie's Road	8:20	Mawbanna Turn Off	3:35
303 South Road	8:25	1414 Mawbanna Rd	3:49
Sampsons Road	8:26	Etchells Road	3:52
South road/Faheys Lane	8:27	1719 Mawbanna Rd	3:53
334 South Road	8:30	1853 Mawbanna Road	3:55
148 South Road	8:31	2282 Mawbanna Rd	4:02
1000 Mengha Road	8:35	64 Wrights Road	4:05
Forest Primary School	8:40		

Proposed Timetable – Edgcumbe Beach to Smithton

Stop Location	AM Estimated Arrival Time	Stop Location	PM Estimated Arrival Time
Edgcumbe Beach	7:45	Smithton Primary School	3:00
Bass Highway/ Hellyer Beach (Shelter Shed)	7:49	Smithton High School	3:08
Bass Highway/ Pebbly Road	7:51	Transfer with Mawbanna Bus	3:30
19535 Bass Highway/ Detention Shop	7:52	Bass Highway/ Medwins Rd	3:35
Bass Highway/ Edgcumbe Beach		Bass Highway/ Crayfish Creek	3:40
Bass Highway/ Crayfish Creek	7:57	Bass Highway/ Edgcumbe Beach	3:42
Bass Highway/ Medwins Rd	8:03	19535 Bass Highway/ Detention Shop	3:47
Transfer with Mawbanna Bus	8:05	Bass Highway/ Pebbly Road	3:46
Smithton High School	8:29	Bass Highway/ Hellyer Beach (Shelter Shed)	3:44
Smithton Primary School	8:36	Edgcumbe Beach	3:51

Proposed Timetable – Wiltshire to Smithton

Stop Location	AM Estimated Arrival Time	Stop Location	PM Estimated Arrival Time
1090 Backline Rd	7:52	1090 Backline Rd	3:44
908 Backline Rd	7:54	908 Backline Rd	3:43
Ollington Street	-	Ollington Street	3:37
Forest Shop	7:57	Forest Shop	3:36
575 Backline Rd	-	575 Backline Rd	3:33
512 Backline Rd	7:58	512 Backline Rd	3:32
Backline Rd & Fords Rd	8:00	Backline Rd & Fords Rd	3:31
474 Backline Road	8:01	474 Backline Road	3:30
436 Backline Road	8:03	436 Backline Road	3:29
Jocks Rd/Backline Road	-	Jocks Rd/Backline Road	3:28
22659 Bass Highway	8:11	22659 Bass Highway	3:24
Brittons Timbers	-	Brittons Timbers	3:23
40 Brittons Road - John Street	8:14	40 Brittons Road - John Street	3:22
Sampsons Avenue	via	Sampsons Avenue	-
King Street	-	King Street	via
66 Massey	8:19	66 Massey	3:12
96 Massey	8:20	96 Massey	3:13
5 Tier Hill Drive	8:21	5 Tier Hill Drive	3:14
3 Leederry Street	8:22	3 Leederry Street	3:15
28 Nut View Drive	8:23	28 Nut View Drive	3:16
65 Massey St	8:24	65 Massey St	3:17
Cnr Massey/Upper Smith	8:25	Cnr Massey/Upper Smith	3:18
15 Massey St	8:26	15 Massey St	3:19
St Peter Chanel	8:27	St Peter Chanel	3:45
Smithton High School	8:30	Smithton High School	3:08