

CHANGES TO THE BUS NETWORK IN CLIFTON: Commercial Implications and the Transport Act 1985

Introduction

This note describes proposed changes to the NCT network in Clifton. These commercial changes require that City Council funded services competing on the same routes need to be withdrawn. This is a requirement of the Transport Act 1985 (Section 92).

The NCT Proposal

On 27 January 2019, changes will be made to the 53 Ring Road service. The service will be extended from Nobel Road to Hartness Road, where it will replace Service 3.

Journeys between 9.30am and 4pm will be numbered 54 and will be diverted to serve the following areas of Clifton:

- Lark Hill Retirement Village Entrance
- Summerwood Lane
- Sunninghill Drive

As at present, the service will operate every 30 minutes on Weekdays, and every hour on Saturdays. The proposed timetable is attached in full.

As the Council's Locallink L64 service would be in direct competition with the 53/4 route, it will need to be withdrawn from this date (Transport Act 1985).

Service 3 will terminate at Green Lane to reduce the vehicle requirement. It will not serve Hartness Road, which will be covered by the 53/4 instead.

THE NCT PROPOSAL

SERVICE	PROPOSAL	DETAILS	COMMENT
3 Clifton – Ruddington Lane – City	Shorter route and reduced timetable to make viable	No longer serve Hartness Rd (replaced by 53/4). Allows the rest of the service to be operated every 30-mins	Maintains a service along Farnborough Road (East) and Green Lane (West)
53/4 Clifton – QMC – Ring Road - Arnold	This service requires £176,000 over 3 years in revenue support outside Peak Hours	Change route to serve Hartness Rd, Summerwood Lane, Green Lane (East) and Sunninghill Drive	

Markets served

Table 3 shows each of the markets served by the affected services. The 53 carries significant movements of workers from Clifton to QMC and the Lenton Lane area.

The other services focus on links for daytime shoppers and concessionary pass holders, with some work-related flows on Service 3.

TABLE 3 MARKETS FOR THE AFFECTED SERVICES

SERVICE	OPERATOR	MARKETS SERVED	DAILY PASSENGERS
3 Clifton – Ruddington Lane – City	NCT	Largely daytime shopper traffic Concessionary pass holders	Not known – commercial 27% are concessionary pass holders
53 Clifton – QMC – Ring Road - Arnold	NCT	Peak Work Traffic to QMC and Lenton Lane Daytime traffic within Clifton Daytime traffic to hospitals and along Ring Road	1,768 per day (30 per journey) 31% of passengers originate within Clifton 21% are concessionary pass holders
L64 Lark Hill – QMC – City	Council Contract	Concessionary pass holders Introduced to plug gaps at Lark Hill, Summerwood Lane and Sunninghill Drive	161 per day (10 per journey) 84% are concessionary permit holders

Conclusion

In broad terms, the NCT proposal would involve:

1. Retention of Service 3, but reduced to every 30 minutes, with the service terminating at Green Lane to allow a cost saving through a reduced vehicle requirement.
2. Retention of Service 53 would require £176,000 over 3 years in revenue support from the Council. The re-routed service would serve most of the areas affected by the withdrawal of Locallink L64 contract, including Summerwood Lane, Sunninghill Drive and Lark Hill. It would also replace Service 3 in the Hartness Road area. Some areas would maintain good links to Clifton centre, and key interchange points, but would lose a direct service to the city centre.

The service changes will take place on 27 January 2019.

NCT CLIFTON NETWORK CHANGES_2018_PROPOSAL TO DISCUSS

Service 53, 54 Clifton (Hartness Road) - QMC - Ring Road - Arnold													
Saturdays													
From Time	GOT		GOT										
Working	51	51	52	51	52	51	52	51	52	51	52	51	52
Runtime pattern	11	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Service Number	53B	53	53	53	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	53	53
Hartness Road terminus	05 13	06 17	07 17	08 17	09 14	10 14	11 14	12 14	13 14	14 14	15 14	16 19	17 19
Lark Hill Village	..	..	..	..	09 19	10 19	11 19	12 19	13 19	14 19	15 19	..	..
Summerwd La, Manesty Cr	..	..	..	..	09 22	10 22	11 22	12 22	13 22	14 22	15 22	..	..
Famboro' Rd, Holy Trinity	05 20	06 25	07 25	08 25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16 27	17 27
Sthchurch Dr, Clifton Library	05 24	06 29	07 29	08 29	09 29	10 29	11 29	12 29	13 29	14 29	15 29	16 31	17 31
Sunninghill Drive Shops	..	..	..	..	09 32	10 32	11 32	12 32	13 32	14 32	15 32	..	..
Clifton Lane, Fabis Drive	05 30	06 35	07 35	08 35	09 37	10 37	11 37	12 37	13 37	14 37	15 37	16 37	17 37
Clifton Blvd, Clifton Br North	05 33	06 38	07 38	08 38	09 40	10 40	11 40	12 40	13 40	14 40	15 40	16 40	17 40
QMC Forecourt	05 39	06 46	07 46	08 46	09 46	10 46	11 46	12 46	13 46	14 46	15 46	16 46	17 46
Middleton Blvd, Hawton Cr	..	06 48	07 48	08 49	09 49	10 49	11 49	12 49	13 49	14 49	15 49	16 49	17 49
Western Blvd, Nuthall Rd	..	06 54	07 54	08 56	09 56	10 56	11 56	12 56	13 56	14 56	15 56	16 56	17 56
Valley Rd, Futurist	..	06 57	07 57	09 00	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00	17 00	18 00
Mansfield Rd, The Vale	..	07 02	08 02	09 06	10 06	11 06	12 06	13 06	14 06	15 06	16 06	17 06	18 06
Arnold, Front Street stand 3	..	07 09	08 09	09 13	10 13	11 13	12 13	13 13	14 13	15 13	16 13	17 13	18 13
To Time													
From Time	GOT		GOT										
Working	51	51	52	51	52	51	52	51	52	51	52	51	52
Runtime pattern	11	13	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Service Number	53	53	53	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	53	53	53
Arnold, Front Street stand 3	..	07 21	08 21	09 15	10 15	11 15	12 15	13 15	14 15	15 15	16 15	17 15	18 15
Valley Rd, Mansfield Rd	..	07 27	08 27	09 23	10 23	11 23	12 23	13 23	14 23	15 23	16 23	17 23	18 23
Valley Rd, Futurist	..	07 32	08 32	09 29	10 29	11 29	12 29	13 29	14 29	15 29	16 29	17 29	18 29
Western Blvd, Nuthall Rd	..	07 35	08 35	09 32	10 32	11 32	12 32	13 32	14 32	15 32	16 32	17 32	18 32
Jubilee Campus	..	07 39	08 39	09 38	10 38	11 38	12 38	13 38	14 38	15 38	16 38	17 38	18 38
QMC Derby Road	05 45	07 43	08 43	09 43	10 43	11 43	12 43	13 43	14 43	15 43	16 43	17 43	18 43
Clifton Blvd, Clifton Br North	05 49	07 47	08 47	09 47	10 47	11 47	12 47	13 47	14 47	15 47	16 47	17 47	18 47
Clifton Lane, Fabis Drive	05 52	07 50	08 50	09 50	10 50	11 50	12 50	13 50	14 50	15 50	16 50	17 50	18 50
Sunninghill Drive Shops	..	..	..	09 53	10 53	11 53	12 53	13 53	14 53	15 53	..	..	..
Sthchurch Dr, Clifton Library	05 57	07 55	08 55	09 58	10 58	11 58	12 58	13 58	14 58	15 58	16 55	17 55	18 55
Famboro' Rd, Dunkery Rd	05 59	07 57	08 57	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00	16 58	17 58	18 58
Summerwd La, Manesty Cr	..	..	..	10 04	11 04	12 04	13 04	14 04	15 04	16 04	..	..	..
Lark Hill Village	..	..	..	10 07	11 07	12 07	13 07	14 07	15 07	16 07	..	..	..
Hartness Road terminus	06 09	08 08	09 08	10 12	11 12	12 12	13 12	14 12	15 12	16 12	17 09	18 09	19 09
To Time	06 17	08 17	09 14	10 14	11 14	12 14	13 14	14 14	15 14	16 19	17 19	GOT	GOT