



## Getting ready to serve the wider community

2021 is coming to an end. While we have a slightly better year compared to 2020, coronavirus is still around us.

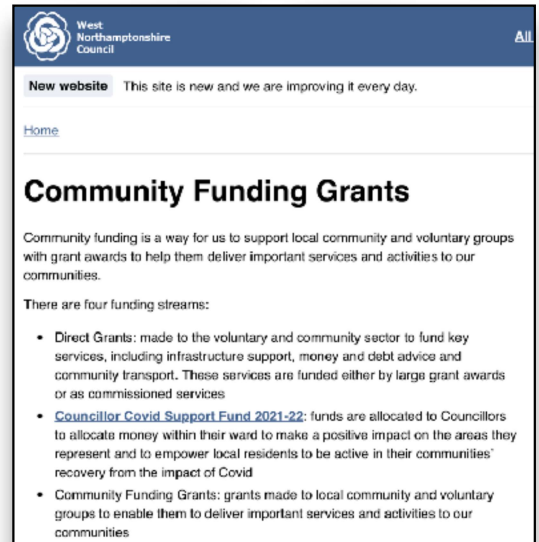
In the past two years we've adapted to lockdowns and restrictions and all these have shown how lonely it could feel if we were totally disconnected with the outside world and if everything was done online.

Good news have arrived as Christmas approaches. The West and North Northamptonshire Councils (WNC & NNC) are looking for community projects to support.

Based on the amount of the potential grants, we have identified two potential projects to bid for. I have submitted an application for a £15,000 grant to set up community transport services along the A508 corridor around Brixworth area. The fund support the set-up costs and the operating costs of the service for up to a year.

In North Northamptonshire, we will put in an application for a new community bus route serving the communities of **Loddington, Thorpe Malsor, Great Cransley and Pytchley** and provide them a weekly bus service to Kettering town, which will be similar to the current 78D service. The £5,000 grant would support the operating cost for up to a year.

When considering whether to award the grants, the judging panel will look for evidence of community support. If you or anyone you know would benefit from the above projects, **please do contact us by emailing [info@cmbus.org](mailto:info@cmbus.org)**. We will forward your message to the judges and let them know how public transport services can be the lifeline for communities.



## Travel abroad & support us!

I'm proud to announce that we have become a member of **CT4N Travel's** (Community Transport for Nottingham) referral scheme.

Besides enjoying the great bargain and the great holiday packages, you'll be supporting our community transport service because CT4N travel will donate us part of their income when our users join their holidays. For information, visit **[ct4ntravel.co.uk](http://ct4ntravel.co.uk)** or call **0115 784 3388**.

# Service Information

## 1. KETTERING CATCHER 78D

**Every FRIDAY (except public holidays) - First pick-up normally starts at 09:30**

TO Weston Favell		TO Mawsley (via Kettering)	
TIME	Stop	TIME	Stop
D	Villages	12:30	Shopping Centre (Stop C)
9:52	Broughton - Red Lion PH	D	Overstone Ley / Villages
9:56	Lake Avenue	12:58	Horse Market (Stop 9)
R	Kettering Station Entrance	13:00	Newland Centre (Stop 5)
9:59	Horse Market (Stop 9)	D/R	Kettering General Hospital
10:00	Newland Centre (Stop 5)	D/R	Kettering Station Entrance
R	Kettering General Hospital	R	Lake Avenue
D	Villages / Overstone Ley	R	Broughton - Red Lion PH
10:30	Shopping Centre (Stop C)	D	Villages
		D	Mawsley

R = Request only for alighting  
D = On-Demand section, pre-booked only

- 1 To book a seat, text us at **07888 011 891** or email **bookings@cmbus.org** from **9am to 1pm Monday to Friday** or use the online form:
- 2 Receive a confirmation text on Thursday with a confirmed timetable.
- 3 Make your way to the bus stop in accordance with the timetable.

## 2. CMB Trips

### Serving ALL villages on **Wednesdays**

**Note:** The bus will call at Kettering (Horse Market) or other stops en-route if requested.

Date	Destination	Booking opens
05/01/2022	Corby (Town Centre / Asda)	13 December
12/01/2022	Rugby* (Town Centre / Elliot's Field)	13 December
19/01/2022	Gates Garden Centre, Cold Overton*	20 December
26/01/2022	Rushden Lakes (Waitrose / M&S)	27 December

**\*Bus pass holders:** Trip to Rugby & Cold Overton are subject to fare.



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Seats are limited and bookings will be closed one week before travel day.  
**First come, first served.**



Our bus would pick you up **after 9.30 am** and will return from the destination **after lunch**.



Trips are paid service. There is a non-refundable **£1 booking fee and fare** (applicable to bus pass holders if going outside Kettering Catcher's service area).

## We need your help!

More trips mean more work to be done! To ensure the continuity of our services, we're looking for **volunteers**:

- **Volunteer Ambassadors**  
(Can be home based)
- **Volunteer Drivers (D1 license)**

If you can offer a few hours per week to help, please call / text us. Training will be provided.

*If you don't use it, you'll lose it!*

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