

TEIGNMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Finance & General Purposes Committee



DATE 25 February 2020
REPORT OF Cllr Richard Ash
SUBJECT Stagecoach Route Consultation 2020

Part I

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Finance & General Purposes Committee is recommended to resolve that Teignmouth Town Council:

- a) Propose the introduction of an express / limited stop X2 service to supplement service 2 at busy times. Limited stops, route with no deviation from A379.**

Stagecoach run services 2, 22 and 222 (summer only) through Teignmouth. Route 2 is an important service from Exeter to Newton Abbot and return. About 3 years ago the service of three busses an hour was reduced to two on economic grounds. This was quite a change from a service which was turn up and not have to wait long to you need to check the timetable.

Route 2 is a very important service. Teignmouth, Dawlish and neighbouring villages have a large population which is provided with links to Exeter and Newton Abbot. Importantly it connects Kingsteignton, Bishopsteignton, Holcombe, Shutterton, Cockwood, Kenton and Exminster with rail at Teignmouth, Dawlish and Starcross. It connects to Countess Wear, RD&E and Heavitree not reached by rail.

The downside is the route is slow. Teignmouth/Newton Abbot 40mins. Teignmouth/Exeter 1h 10mins. Buses detour in Kingsteignton, Teignmouth, Starcross and Exminster. At busy times congestion puts buses well behind and this is admitted as the company say they are reviewing schedules to improve reliability.

Cllr Richard Ash