

Transport & Travel Update



Regular Transport and Travel Updates with news regarding public transport in Essex.

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Welcome to the Transport & Travel newsletter providing information on forthcoming changes to local bus services in Essex. This edition includes:

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Service Changes

ECC has recently conducted a tender process for new contracts. As of Monday 1 August a number of services will have new operators and timetables.

A summary of each service change that we are aware of for July/August can be found in Bus Passenger News.

Bus Passenger News

Unifying the Bus Network in Essex



A new bus identity, TravelEssex, has been launched to help the transport network build back from Covid 19 and encourage people to swap from car to bus.

Find out what Cllr Lee Scott, Essex County Council Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport and Highways maintenance said about the launch [here](#).

Part of the new identity is the TravelEssex app which is a convenient journey planning app that enables you to view sustainable travel options throughout Essex, all in one place.

Watch the short video below to find out more about how the app works.



Download TravelEssex from your [Google Play](#) or [Apple App Store](#) and start planning your Essex journeys with ease!

E-Scooter Trials



Over the last month TIER have taken over operation of the [electric scooter trial operating in Essex](#). The trial was initiated by Essex County Council as part of our Safer, Greener, Healthier Campaign, and is one of a number of trial schemes taking place across the country overseen by the Department of Transport. TIER e-scooters are now on the ground in Basildon, Chelmsford and Colchester and the scheme is proving to be extremely popular!

We're expecting to see more people use the e-scooters over the summer. To keep riders safe please see the guidance below for use of rental e-scooters in the UK:

- You must be over 18. Parents who allow their children to use the scooters can be given points and a fine.
- A valid full or provisional driving licence is required.
- An account will need to be created in the operators app, with your valid driving licence, in order to be insured.
- Always ride solo - riding with a passenger is illegal and unsafe.

To find out more about the e-scooter trials see the [Q&As](#) on the Essex Highways website.

Did You Know?



Did you know, that we have a number of multi-operator bus maps available for download [here](#).
