CONSULTATION: BUSES ON BRIDGE GATE

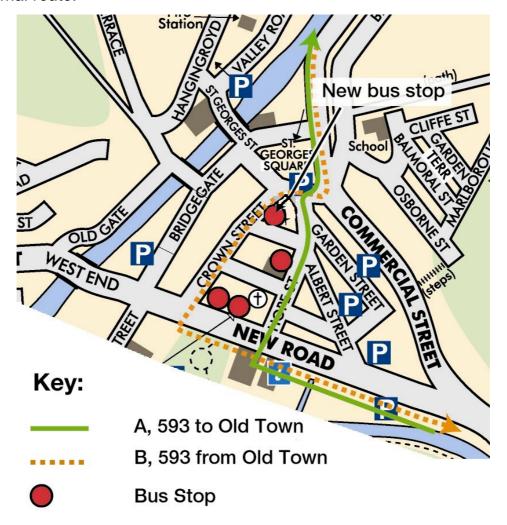


Construction work is currently under way for the Hebden Bridge Traffic Review and as a result Bridge Gate is temporarily closed to all traffic.

Under the Traffic Review, and after lengthy public consultation, it was agreed that Bridge Gate would become a semi-pedestrianised area, allowing access at all times and in both directions for local minibus services and cyclists and also between 4pm and 10am (one-way only, from St George's Street to New Road) for vehicles servicing the local shops and businesses.

Since construction work began there have been calls to permanently close Bridge Gate to buses and in view of this the Council is now making a proposal to divert them onto nearby streets and stops. The only buses affected would be those to Old Town, as follows:

- Services A and 593 to Old Town: from New Road via Hope Street (stopping at the Library) then Albert Street to Keighley Road and normal route;
- Services B and 593 from Old Town: from Keighley Road via Crown Street (new alighting stop near the junction with Carlton Street) to New Road and normal route.



Provision of the new stop on Crown Street would result in the loss of one on-street car parking space.

Please note that Bridge Gate would remain open to cyclists as it provides an important link from Keighley Road to the prestigious Calder Valley Cycleway, which is accessed via Holme Street. Access for motorists to Bridge Gate car park from New Road would also be unaffected by this proposal.

We would like to know your views on the proposal. Please tick your preferred option and write any comments you wish to make in the space provided.	
Close Bridge Gate to local buses and divert them via other streets.	
Keep Bridge Gate open to local bus traffic (as originally agreed).	
Please add any further comments below:	
It would help us further if you could tell us a little about yourself (this is entirely optional and all details will be treated in the strictest confidence). What is your postcode?	
If you do not live in the Hebden Bridge area do you	
Work here Shop here Visit for pleasure]
What age are you?	
Under 18 18-59 60 and over]
Please tick if you are a regular user of the Hebden Bridge minibus services.]

Please return your completed questionnaire in the pre-paid envelope provided to: Calderdale Council, Northgate House, Halifax.

If you would like any further information on this proposal please contact Peter Stubbs on 01422 392139.