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**Dear Members and Supporters,**

Melksham Rail User Group newsletter  
Issue 6 - September 2020

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  - \* visit <http://melksh.am/trains> - train departures including live running data
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**This is a the final (v1.0) edition**



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# Melksham Public Transport Diary - September 2020

Updated timetables for all public transport services may be found in this document.

## There are changes to the trains and the x34 (Chippenham, Trowbridge, Frome) buses

\* From 1st September, **the 07:20 (Monday to Friday) train to Swindon resumes**; it carries on from there to Gloucester (rather than Cheltenham Spa where it terminated until March). The **06:36 (Monday to Friday) train to Westbury once again continues from Westbury to Southampton Central**

\* From 1st September, there is a **revised timetable on bus route x34** and route 555 resumes - though the latter is now for school traffic only.

\* From 1st September, **Senior Bus Passes** will only be accepted for travel without charge after 09:30 on Mondays to Fridays, as well as all day on Saturdays and Sundays. These passes apply to bus services anywhere and do not offer any entitlement to free or reduced train travel to or from Melksham.

\* On Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September, the **railway line is closed for engineering works for the two days** through Melksham and Great Western Railway will be running rail replacement buses; if you are travelling to Swindon, a change of buses will be necessary at Chippenham, with an overall journey time of over an hour.

\* On Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th September, trains will run as they have during August - that is with some gaps remaining in service

\* On & from Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept, **a full weekend train service resumes.**

Throughout September (unless otherwise notified in times of rapid change), **passengers are welcome to use our public transport provided they are not isolating, but must wear face masks while on public transport and using enclosed passenger facilities such as railway station and town centre waiting shelters.** There are exemptions for children under the age of 11, and for certain other groups with reasons why they cannot wear masks.

Passengers are asked to space out when waiting for, joining and leaving public transport, and on board during their journey, and advised to clean their hands / sanitise regularly. Please use a contactless means of payment if you can to help reduce the risk to staff and others. If you have a choice between services and know which is likely to be the quieter, please choose it.

*Note that on 3 Sundays in October, trains will be replaced by buses due to engineering works*

## Other notable September dates in Melksham Public Transport

**Stop Press – 19:30 on 8<sup>th</sup> September – Melksham Area Board includes an update for Melksham residents on the Melksham Station Hub by Paul Johnson, Chair of TransWilts CIC.** <https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MIId=13146&x=1>

On Wednesday 16th September, at 19:30 our online meeting via Zoom ... set up and informal chat from 19:00, Joining details via <http://www.passenger.chat/23965> . All welcome

The Emergency Measure Agreements under which our trains are running at present expire on 20th September. **Stop Press – just extended to June 2021**

Our diary still lists a meeting of the regional RailFuture branch on 26th September - <http://www.passenger.chat/23794> and we will update that URL as we get more news. No scheduled public meetings of the West Wilts Rail User Group, nor of the TransWilts CRP, as we go to press. TravelWatch SouthWest meets early October, almost certainly online.

## How are the trains and buses doing - are they safe?

A year ago, the GWR passenger forum ran a survey of "Which are the most important factors of a train journey to YOU?" and only 33% of respondents chose "safety" as an issue, compared to 79% for reliability, 72% for frequency, 71% for capacity and 69% for cost. See <http://www.passenger.chat/22054>. But things have changed in a year and the question "how safe is it to use public transport" has become a frequent one.

Concerns are not only over the risk of catching Coronavirus when using public transport, but also over other safety issues raised by the fatal accident at Stonehaven during August (the first passenger death in a railway accident for over a decade) and the spectacular derailment and fire of a freight train at Llangennech in the last few days.

The Rail Safety and Standards Board has reported on the Covid-19 risk in the late last week

"Passengers can be a lot more confident about travelling by train safely according to RSSB – with the risk of Covid-19 infection being less than 0.01% on an average journey.

"Rail safety experts worry that people may be assuming the roads offer a less risky alternative during the pandemic, when in fact trains are safer and greener."

Link to the RSSB report -

<https://www.rssb.co.uk/Insights-and-News/News/Rail-still-safer-than-road-during-Covid-19> Or <http://www.passenger.chat/23959> for a shorter link

There are, inevitably, a number of assumptions made and projections in comparing transport modes - the RSSB itself refers to distance travelled, time taken, and rates per journey and per km which make comparison difficult. But basically - unless you are in a very vulnerable group indeed, the risk to you in your journey by public transport is less than the risk to you in making the same journey by car. Risks to others - such as passing on what you pick up on the train, or hitting someone with your car - are very different in nature and almost impossible to compare and in all cases the risks are very low indeed.

Risk from rail accident are astonishingly low - and indeed bus travel has only a tiny fraction of the accidents that cause injury than private vehicle travel. The headlines from Stonehaven show how just rare that event was; later in August, four people died in a road accident between Chippenham and Calne and whilst we heard about it in Wiltshire, it didn't make the news media to the same degree, nor stick there as long. The hurt to those who lost loved ones is just as real and long-lasting though.

So concluding - don't be put off public transport over safety worries. But, please, you can do your bit by travelling at quieter times and on quieter routes, wearing a face mask if you possibly can (even if technically exempt), socially distancing, etc.

## How are the trains and buses doing - Are they busy?

From a MELKSHAM RAIL viewpoint, GWR report that passenger traffic on the trains in two thirds down - one of the better performing lines in the area, but with excellent capacity on most trains. Evidence across the rail network also suggests a far greater reduction in morning peak traffic than at other times of day - a lesser fall in the evening peak, with (?) many office staff going in later and doing a short day / working from home much of the time. Anecdotal / observation at Melksham suggests we're nothing exceptional and that traffic is now much more even across the day than it was in the past. That could be excellent news if maintained as a pattern for long term efficiency of operations

From a MELKSHAM BUS viewpoint, observing a few buses has shown them very quiet at all times. Faresaver reported passengers back up to 40% of pre-Covid levels on some routes, but we suspect that Melksham routes have not yet reached those levels. There is significant school traffic on some routes, so we would expect buses on many Melksham routes to increase significantly during September - quieter times will be between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.



## Notice period for changes

The rail industry has been required to give 12 weeks notice of timetable changes and changes for planned engineering in recent years. Sometimes it's failed to do so and only notified changes 6 to 8 weeks ahead. Recently, those notice periods have not been applied and at time the timetable for the one week has only been published during the previous week, with weekend schedules just a few days out.

The bus industry requires up to 72 days notice of timetable changes (though they are often made public only at 28 or 42 days). Once again, changes are happening on a far shorter timescale than "required" at present, but we have been moving to knowing a little further ahead than just a few days.

I expect the timetables in this newsletter to "hold" for September, but that is an expectation and not something that's guaranteed. All buses are back now, as are all trains from 15th September, except one each way - 19:15 at Melksham (southbound) and 20:20 at Melksham (Northbound) on Monday to Friday.

## What can our volunteers do?

Melksham Rail User Group officers and other volunteers would LOVE to ...

- clear rubbish at the station if they see it
- talk with passengers (socially distanced, of course) to learn and to inform
- update notices on a regular basis
- tackle the jungle in the planter
- make leaflets available at the station and hand out newsletters
- stand on the platform and count passengers on and off trains to help keep us informed
- survey current passenger, again with a view to helping us understand what's needed.

**But sadly, none of these things is allowable for us at present as we follow the rules set out by Great Western and supplied to us by the TransWilts CRP (shared here on the next page).** We understand it's done for safety but it's very frustrating for us too, and especially when we receive criticism from others for not undertaking these tasks.

We overlap on some things (such as litter picking) with rail staff, and with employees and volunteers of companies working with the railway with a wider remit than station adoption. Clearly, all the rules do not apply to all of them (we see litter picked and leaflet racks populated) but we have concluded that - until we are otherwise advised, we have to abide by the rules set for us and hundreds of other station adoption groups.

Please ... help us help you as best we can. Keep us informed (you are doing for the most part!) and please put your rubbish into the rubbish bags at the station. Again, you are doing for the most part and THANK YOU.

What we CAN do ...

- keep users informed, via online media, local newspapers, & events away from the station
- answer questions / queries and consultations
- liaise with the local CRP, Councils, rail industry
- support our members and
- look forward

Our meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> September is *primarily* online – <http://www.passenger.chat/23965>

# Conditions on Station adoption Groups such as MRUG

This document from ... **Great Western Railway, Milford House, 1 Milford Street, Swindon, SN1 1HL**, GWR.com

## Rules for station adoption during the COVID-19 pandemic. Version 2, 10 August 2020

This document sets out initial steps for some station adopter and volunteer activities to resume.

### Overview

As the Government ease lockdown restrictions and allow leisure travel by public transport to resume it must be remembered that this in turn may see an increase in train travel and the number of passengers using stations.

To minimise any potential for a 'second wave'™ of infection through unnecessary interaction the following requirements for station adoption activities MUST be adhered to until further notice.

It must be acknowledged that adoption activities at some locations will remain suspended where the appropriate measures cannot be maintained.

A resumption of normal station adoption activities will only be possible once the COVID-19 Alert Level has reached Level 1.

### General principles

- \* Any station adoption activity must strictly abide by the Government's guidance on social distancing and comply with the requirements of this document. GWR reserve the right to suspend indefinitely any activities that are unable to meet the requirements
- \* Station adoption activities must be limited to one day a week and in alignment with the Government's guidance on outdoor activity
- \* Station adoption activity work areas must be segregated from others using the station
- \* Station adoption activities are limited to light gardening activities only such as weeding
- \* No more than two station adopters can undertake activities at any one time
- \* Face coverings and GWR issued high visibility vests must always be worn when station adoption activities are being undertaken
- \* In addition to this document, all adopters must continue to comply with the usual guidance and regulations relating to their activities at stations
- \* If any work is being undertaken at your station by railway personnel, or their contractors, then no station adoption activities are to be carried out at the same time
- \* Any group who is part of a national organisation should also follow any additional guidance as set out by them
- \* Government guidance must always be followed, including any local lockdown restrictions that are introduced

### Interaction with Station Colleagues

Minimal interaction should be undertaken with station colleagues and in accordance with social distancing requirements. Where a station is staffed for part of the day activities should only be undertaken once the GWR colleague/s has departed. Activities are not permitted during the morning and afternoon peak periods and are only permitted during daylight hours.

### Before and after works

All adopters must advise station colleagues of their presence or sign in and out with the Station Manager or Duty Station Manager either in person or via phone. Adopters must bring hand sanitiser to the station and use this before and after adoption work.

### Consideration for others

When carrying out activities at stations, social distance must be observed between adopters and other people at the station, as per Government guidance. Adopters must give priority to the movement of passengers and stop work if social distancing requirements cannot be complied with.

### Undertaking work

Work is limited to light gardening activities only, such as weeding. No cleaning of hard surfaces such as poster frames, doors, windows and signage is to take place. No litter picking activities are to take place.

### Gardening

If tools are to be shared between station adopters, they must be wiped clean first. Adopters must always bear in mind social distancing and keep space clear for others to move around the station. This may mean that adopters must pause during their work and move to a place of social distance to allow the flow of passengers around the station, especially when train services arrive/depart.

### Community noticeboards and artwork

No work should be undertaken on these activities until further notice.

### Book swaps and group produced leaflets

These should be removed from stations/put away until further notice.

### Non-GWR areas

Any activities undertaken as part of agreed work on Network Rail stations and Network Rail land must abide by the guidance of that organisation.

GWR maintains the right to renew these rules, as well as instruct any adoption group to stop its activities if these are not followed. This document was issued on Monday 10 August 2020 and will be continually reviewed in accordance with changes in the COVID-19 Alert Level and accompanying Government and National Rail guidance. The requirements of this document will remain in force until otherwise advised.

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We very much look forward to revisions of the rules above in due course to allow us to resume further activities

## Events

We were sad to see summer events such as the Imber bus day get cancelled this year

We are checking with GWR and TransWilts, but will probably decide to cancel Santa's visit in person on 13<sup>th</sup> December. Regulations at the time allowing, we will be encouraging our regular customers to take public transport trips for days out in the preparation for and run up to Christmas

Our 16th September meeting will go ahead online – please get in touch if you are unable to join via Zoom and we'll help find another way if we can.



Scenes missing in 2020 – but we hope to be back with events in 2021!

## Looking forward

We look to the following including elements of the master plan over coming months and years.

- Evening trains – see following article
- Through services to Southampton (Central and Airport)
- Double track or loop to allow hourly train service
- Northern Access to reduce walk and cycle routes by 500 metres
- Buses to the station to connect with residential and business areas
- Cafe, toilets, cycle hire

## How is progress on the car park and hub?

Car parking is available in the TransWilts / Smart Parking operated hub car park - free for up to 30 minutes - web site at <https://melkshamhub.co.uk/car-parking/>. With rail passenger numbers only just recovering, there is plenty of space available, the car park is currently signposted for "Rail Passengers only". The extension is a few weeks behind schedule. TransWilts wrote on 20th August:

*"We have visited the Melksham Hub site today. Sadly due to the recent weather conditions we are significantly behind schedule. Our British weather - excessive heat last week and now rain this week, has meant the trenches are currently flooded. In consequence the contractors running one to two weeks behind schedule. We have therefore made the decision to postpone our planned car park photo shoot event on Friday 28 Aug at 10am.*

*"As I'm sure you can understand we want to do the project justice so will reschedule the photo shoot once we are back on track and are confident we can show the completed car park works."*

At the time of writing (31st August) the electric vehicle charging points are in place but fenced off and not yet commissioned, and work is clearly under way with the next phase, with work underway in stripping out the hub building for refitting as a cafe.

The car parking spaces just outside the station gate have been re-designated as short term stopping places for dropping off and picking up rail passengers only - a maximum stay of 20 minutes, and they are Great Western / APCOA operated.

## Restart - what shape Melksham's train service?

At the height of the pandemic, passenger numbers on trains and buses were down below one in twenty (5%) of the norm; since then, numbers have risen and we're back to around one in three (or 1 in 2.5) of the norm - that's 33% to 40%. Need we be concerned for the economics of returning traffic back up to levels which were experienced "this time last year?"

Yes, and no. The decimation in April was orchestrated by official necessity, but as we head for the autumn, official necessity points towards getting children back to school and workers back into their offices. The shorter term return will not be 100% - far from it - and for some, things will never go back as they were. But take a look at projections made in February - [http://www.mrug.org.uk/plan\\_railpassengers\\_20200224.pdf](http://www.mrug.org.uk/plan_railpassengers_20200224.pdf) - of quarter of a million passenger journeys per annum as a very low figure a few years hence (and 600,000 being quite possible). Factor the issues together, and within a handful of years you'll get passenger journey numbers perhaps four times what was being achieved prior to lockdown. Sure, 600,000 may make the reader gulp, but 300,000 is quite reasonable and realistic. Our station is exceptional and although the future may look bleak for some, we are in a position to regrow and develop. Did you notice how Melksham's services (Monday to Saturday) survived virtually unscathed through lockdown and others were slashed back? We are not the only ones to have noticed the differences.

Now - patterns of travel have changed - they have changed over the years, and are changing rapidly at present. Melksham train services prior to lockdown comprised a historic 2 return trips each way per day and 6 extra round trips to provide travel at busier times, far more options, and to complete round trip opportunities lacking with just the 2 historic trains. The 6 round trips are running and the historic morning trips are back - those latter providing for school journeys on other parts of their journeys, and significant commuter opportunities from Melksham. The evening historic trains have NOT returned. And is that "not yet" or are they not expected?

The reasons for running the historic services outside the Swindon to Westbury corridor are in themselves now largely superceded. On the Stroud Valley from Swindon to Gloucester, an hourly through London train has removed the requirement for a local service every 2 hours during the day and evening, and south of Salisbury, an hourly "Romsey 6" service plus an hourly regional train have sucked passengers from that train in the Solent area. So it is no surprise that it's not back. But that leaves a hole through Melksham, enlarged because the extra round trips are timed to avoid its path. Let's see some times.

Pre-covid, trains from Swindon to Melksham ran at  
17:36, 18:44 (that's the service in question) and 20:45  
and trains from Westbury to Melksham ran at  
16:25, 18:39 and 20:06 (that's the service in question)

Without the 18:44 from Swindon, there's a massive gap that puts passengers off risking a day out / office day relying on the train is they may be later home, and it kills London office trips. If you miss the 17:36, a train an hour later was great, and a three hour gap will lose the traffic it carried, the traffic it allowed by providing a safety net, and the outbound trips of all those passengers early in the day.

Without the 20:06 from Westbury, longer distance commutes / trips to the South and West, and indeed Bristol and Bath inbound connections, finish 90 minutes earlier and lose return (and outbound) trips - both those taken, and those which are held by passengers as "safety net" journeys.

The absence of the last train from Westbury, and the three hour gap in the evening 'peak' are both significantly detrimental. We appreciate that both journeys are part of a wider network of services, and that the Swindon to Westbury section may now be the only piece of the route with a current business case. We also note that the local train in the new timetable is being used less than efficiently because of being timed to support these phantoms, and not the trains that actually run for customers. So - a suggestion - accept the removal of the two historic trains and replace them with a forward looking single trains running somethings like

**Proposed trains from Swindon to Melksham** run at 17:36, 19:16, 20:59 and 22:45  
**and trains from Westbury to Melksham** run at 16:25, 18:26, 20:06 and 21:54

The 05:33 train from Melksham - new last December, surprised us by carrying into double digit passenger numbers into Swindon already in the handful of months before lockdown, and the 06:36 which used to carry fresh air and perhaps 2 passengers a decade ago now carried two dozen on a typical pre-covid day. Further evidence of the evening out of the working day, signalling an enhanced requirement for evening provision too.

With a significant numbers of people working from home some / most of the time, commute numbers will drop. See earlier suggestions for numbers. But average length of the remaining commutes for these people may increase. Take our friend - let's call her Jo - living in Maidenhead and working in Canary Wharf at present. 5 days a week, she takes an hour and 40 minutes each way - a total of 1000 minutes travelling. But now she's only in the office 2 days a week and if she moves to "Marvellous Melksham", a two hour 30 minute journey reduces her travel time to 600 minutes, and she has better housing for the price, a welcoming community, excellent schooling, fresh air and beautiful countryside. These early morning and evening services are vital to Jo, and will bring income to the rail network far in excess of the element of her fare attributed to the local train.

Bright young people move ... from Melksham and from Devizes ... to London, to Milton Keynes, to Leeds, to Reading ... to wherever the jobs in an increasingly specialised world are located. But should those jobs be the more home based, the need to move closer to work and from family in order to reduce the daily travelling will be slashed. The same point as our Jo in Maidenhead - but the start of a social change - not just a blip, but a trend, and a levelling out.

# Web site

Major update to the Melksham Rail User Group website for September – now much more demand responsive

**Transport to, from and in Melksham**

We encourage you to use public transport, cycling and walking for journeys to, from and within the Melksham area, but appreciate that not all journeys are practical by those means. [Why]

Trains - Buses - Coaches - Cycling - Walking - Taxis - Cars  
User Group who's who - News - External links - [Emergencies](#)

**Let's travel, safely, enjoyably and sustainably**

**Trains - Melksham Station**  
\* [Map and address](#) of the station  
\* or on [Google Maps](#)  
\* 10 minutes walk from the Town Bridge

| Schedule | on time? | platform | coaches | no. stops | train destination  | Operated by |
|----------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|--|-------------|
| 0533     | ✓        | 1        | 2       | 1         | Chippenham (0542) & Swindon (0559)   | GWR (2M09)  |
| 0636     | ✓        | 1        | -       | 6         | Trowbridge (0645), Westbury (0653), Dilton Marsh (0656), Warminster (0703), Salisbury (0723), Romsey (0754) & Southampton Central (0808) | GWR (2020)  |
| 0721     | ✓        | 1        | -       | 5         | Chippenham (0735), Swindon (0752), Kemble (0809), Stroud (0823), Stonehouse (0828) & Gloucester (0848)                                   | GWR (2G81)  |
| 0753     | ✓        | 1        | -       | 1         | Chippenham (0802) & Swindon (0819)   | GWR (2M13)  |

\* connects at [Chippenham and Swindon](#)  
\* connects at [Trowbridge and Westbury](#)  
\* [current timetable and connection map](#)

\* Prior booking not needed  
\* Trains by [Great Western Railway](#)  
\* [Melksham Hub](#) facilities  
\* Free cycle parking at the station

**Melksham rail user group**

**Current timetables and advice**  
[Bus and Train Timetables - September 2020](#)  
[Covid Travel advice - September 2020](#)

**News and Upcoming ....**  
September 2020 newsletter (draft) ([here](#))  
Next meeting - 16.9.2020  
(online for most participants)  
*but please get in touch before if you wish!*

**Melksham Public Transport - Newsletters**  
\* September 20 Newsletter - ([here](#))  
\* August 20 Newsletter - ([here](#))  
\* July 20 Newsletter - ([here](#))  
\* June 20 Newsletter - ([here](#))  
\* May 20 Newsletter - ([here](#))  
\* April 20 Newsletter - ([here](#))

**TransWilts publications**  
2019/20 Annual Report (28.4.2020)  
[Knorr Bremse press release \(27.4.2020\)](#)

New:

04:05 Not Secure — nrug.org.uk

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\* or on [Google Maps](#)  
\* 10 minutes walk from the Town Bridge

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## Please take your own trip to Swindon

Present advice is that with social distancing and facemasks, the train is just as safe to visit as a shop, and passenger numbers are low so that there's plenty of space for your independent journey. So that – although the Santa Trip is probably off – we're suggesting you might like to take your family up to:



### Designer Outlet

– 15 minutes from the station, re-opened

### Oasis leisure Centre

– re-opened, requires prebooking

### Town Centre shops

– 10 minutes from the station also open

*STEAM - Museum temporarily closed.*



Train fare, off peak day return to Swindon - £7.80 for adults, £3.90 for children aged 5 to 15. 34% off for groups of 3 or more adults (pay on the train and ask for "Groupsave").

Suggested trains from Melksham at this fare:

10:02 and 12:32 on Monday to Friday

07:53, 10:21 and 12:21 on Saturday

08:37 and 11:00 on Sunday

The journey takes between 25 and 30 minutes. Tickets valid for return on any train the same day – here are some examples from Swindon:

13:14, 15:14, 17:36 and 20:45 on Monday to Friday

13:05, 15:05, 16:02, 17:34, 19:34 and 21:07 on Saturday

13:41, 15:39, 17:45, 19:27 and 21:10 on Sunday

% - starts mid September. All trains replaced by buses on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Melksham Station is just 10 minutes walk from the Town Bridge. There is also plenty of parking available at the station – see <https://melkshamhub.co.uk> for charges and other details.

Timetables for all Melksham Public Transport, and an advice sheet and index, are online at <http://melksh.am/go> and attached to the end of this newsletter

Melksham Public Transport – as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020  
correlated by Melksham Rail User Group

MRUG timetable sheet 1 of 5, 1.9.2020

**Sheet 1:** This index and general travel advice

**Sheet 2:** Swindon – Chippenham – Melksham – Trowbridge – Westbury (GWR)

**Sheet 3:** Bath – Melksham – Devizes (Bus 271, 272, 273)

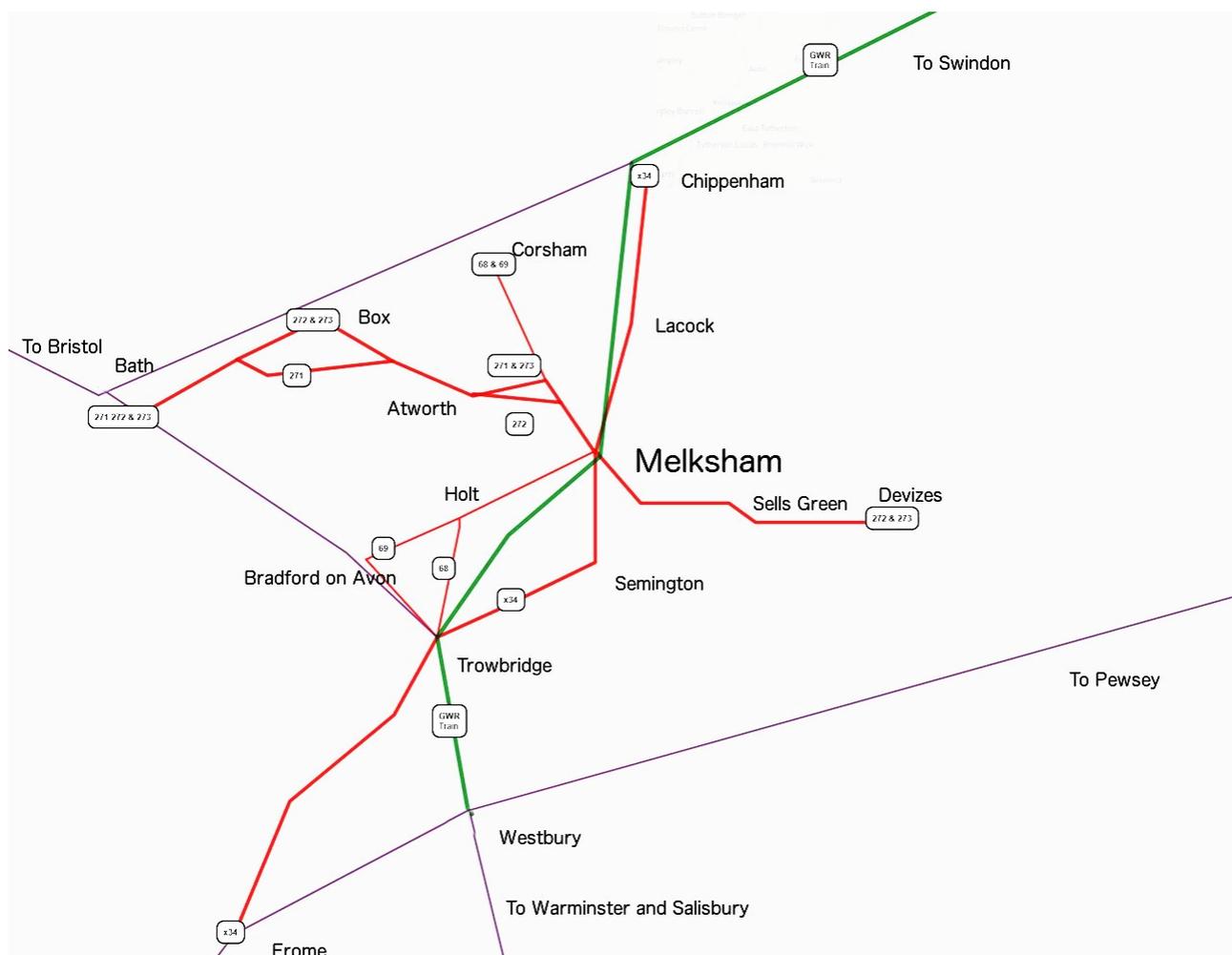
**Sheet 4:** Chippenham – Melksham – Trowbridge – Frome (Bus x34)

Corsham – Melksham – Bradford-on-Avon – Trowbridge (68 & 69)

Frome – Melksham – Swindon – Heathrow – London (National Express)

**Sheet 5:** Melksham Town Bus (Routes 14 and 15)

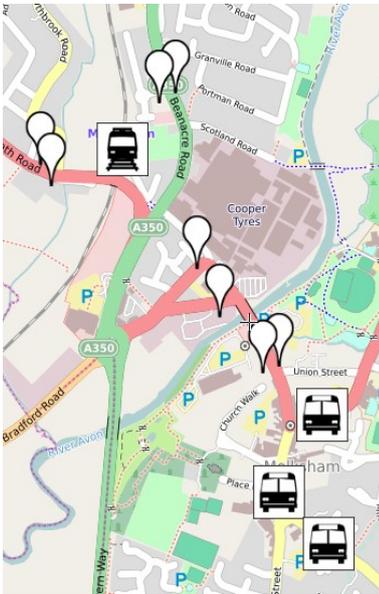
Marlborough – Calne – Melksham – Bath (Royal United) (x76)



Data on these sheets has been checked as of the date on the top of each sheet, but is supplied "Errors and Omissions Excepted". At the current time, timetables are changing frequently and we suggest you check online for an update prior to travelling. Timetable at <http://melksh.am/go>

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**Most buses call at the Market Place.** Exceptions:  
 \* National Express for London calls on **Spa Road**  
 \* Service 14 for Melksham Forest from **Lowbourne**  
 \* Service x76 calls in **Lowbourne**

**Trains call at Melksham Station** - a 10 minute walk from the Town Bridge

Main stops – bus and train symbols. Some buses also call at other town stops indicated by pushpins

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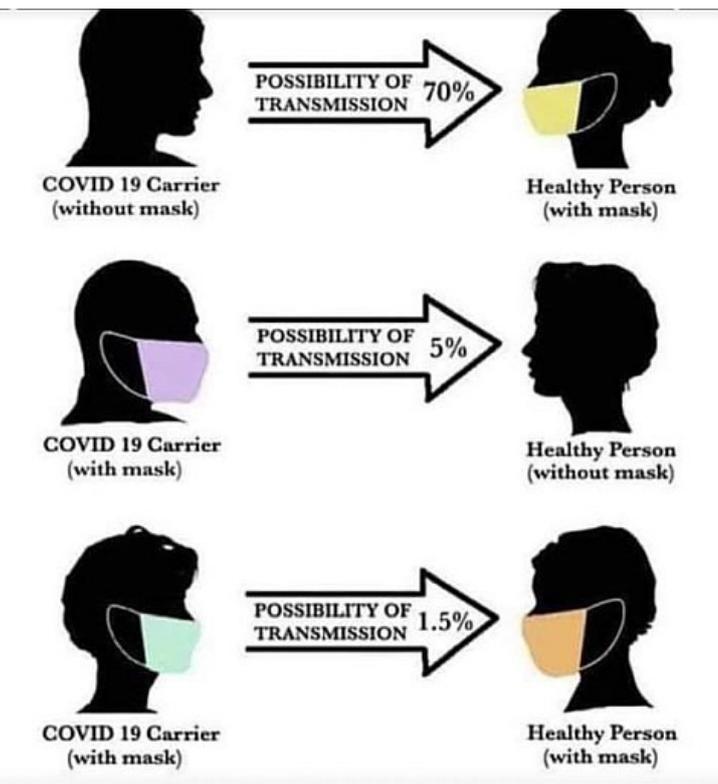


Wear a face covering

**Help keep our buses safe**

- You must wear a face covering on public transport
- Take a window seat, avoid standing and leave space in front and behind you.
- Please be patient and wait for passengers to get off before you board a bus
- Do not stand or queue in the aisle or next to the bus driver

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# Melksham Train Timetable, 9.2020

# Melksham rail user group

Change at Westbury for other services ...  
 ... to Taunton, Exeter and the South West  
 ... to Frome, Yeovil Pen Mill, Dorchester and Weymouth  
 ... to Warminster, Salisbury, Southampton and Portsmouth

Change at Swindon for other services ...  
 ... to Stroud, Gloucester and Cheltenham  
 ... to Didcot, Reading and London (Paddington)  
 ... to Newport, Cardiff and Swansea

Change at Trowbridge OR at Chippenham for services ...  
 ... to Bath Spa and Bristol Temple Meads  
 ... to Bradford-on-Avon (ONLY via change at Trowbridge)

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Online timetable:  
<http://melksh.am/go>



## Monday to Friday throughout September 2020

|            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Westbury   | 05:17 | 07:04 | 07:37 | 09:45 | 12:16 | 14:16 | 16:25 | 18:39 |
| Trowbridge | 05:23 | 07:11 | 07:43 | 09:51 | 12:22 | 14:22 | 16:31 | 18:45 |
| Melksham   | 05:33 | 07:21 | 07:53 | 10:02 | 12:32 | 14:32 | 16:41 | 18:55 |
| Chippenham | 05:43 | 07:36 | 08:03 | 10:14 | 12:42 | 14:42 | 16:51 | 19:05 |
| Swindon    | 05:59 | 07:52 | 08:19 | 10:34 | 13:01 | 15:01 | 17:08 | 19:21 |
| GCR        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |

|            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Swindon    | 06:11 | 08:44 | 11:05 | 13:14 | 15:14 | 17:36 | 20:45 |
| Chippenham | 06:27 | 08:59 | 11:20 | 13:29 | 15:29 | 17:51 | 21:00 |
| Melksham   | 06:36 | 09:09 | 11:30 | 13:39 | 15:39 | 18:01 | 21:10 |
| Trowbridge | 06:46 | 09:18 | 11:39 | 13:48 | 15:48 | 18:10 | 21:19 |
| Westbury   | 06:53 | 09:25 | 11:46 | 13:55 | 15:55 | 18:17 | 21:26 |
| SOU        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |

GCR – To Gloucester  
 SOU – To Southampton Central

## Saturdays from 19<sup>th</sup> September

on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September, trains are replaced by buses

|            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Westbury   | 07:37 | 08:35 | 10:05 | 12:05 | 14:07 | 15:00 | 16:32 | 18:35 |
| Trowbridge | 07:43 | 08:41 | 10:11 | 12:11 | 14:13 | 15:06 | 16:38 | 18:41 |
| Melksham   | 07:53 | 08:51 | 10:21 | 12:21 | 14:23 | 15:16 | 16:48 | 18:51 |
| Chippenham | 08:05 | 09e05 | 10b37 | 12b37 | 14c37 | 15c32 | 17c05 | 19c05 |
| Swindon    | 08:24 | 09:24 | 10:56 | 12:56 | 14:56 | 15:48 | 17:24 | 19:24 |
| Swindon    | 08:46 | 11:05 | 13:05 | 15:05 | 16:02 | 17:34 | 19:34 | 21:07 |
| Chippenham | 09:02 | 11:22 | 13:22 | 15:23 | 16:17 | 17:49 | 19:49 | 21:22 |
| Melksham   | 09:11 | 11:31 | 13:31 | 15:33 | 16:27 | 17:59 | 19:59 | 21:32 |
| Trowbridge | 09:25 | 11:41 | 13:40 | 15:42 | 16:36 | 18:08 | 20:08 | 21:41 |
| Westbury   | 09:33 | 11:49 | 13:46 | 15:49 | 16:43 | 18:16 | 20:16 | 21:48 |

on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 08:35 and 15:00 from Westbury and 16:02 and 21:07 from Swindon do not run. Additionally, the 08:46 runs earlier that day.

b – arrives 7 minutes earlier      c – arrives 5 minutes earlier      e – arrives 4 minutes earlier

## Sundays from 20<sup>th</sup> September

|              |       |       |       |            |       |       |       |            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Warminster   | 08:11 | WEY   |       | Swindon    | 09:12 | 11:41 | 13:41 | 15:39      | 17:45 | 19:27 | 21:10 |       |       |       |       |
| Dilton Marsh | 08:16 |       |       | Chippenham | 09:27 | 11:56 | 13:56 | 15:54      | 18:00 | 19:42 | 21:25 |       |       |       |       |
| Frome        | -     | 12:32 | 16:41 | Melksham   | 09:37 | 12:06 | 14:05 | 16:04      | 18:10 | 19:52 | 21:35 |       |       |       |       |
| Westbury     | 08:20 | 10:44 | 12:43 | 14:47      | 16:50 | 18:35 | 20:18 | Trowbridge | 09:46 | 12:15 | 14:14 | 16:13 | 18:19 | 20:01 | 21:44 |
| Trowbridge   | 08:26 | 10:49 | 12:49 | 14:52      | 16:55 | 18:41 | 20:22 | Westbury   | 09:52 | 12:21 | 14:21 | 16:20 | 18:26 | 20:09 | 21:51 |
| Melksham     | 08:37 | 11:00 | 12:58 | 15:02      | 17:06 | 18:51 | 20:34 | Frome      |       |       | 14:30 | 16:29 |       |       |       |
| Chippenham   | 08:47 | 11:12 | 13:07 | 15:13      | 17:18 | 19:01 | 20:44 | WEY        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Swindon      | 09:03 | 11:29 | 13:24 | 15:29      | 17:35 | 19:17 | 21:00 |            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |

Trains replaced by buses on 5<sup>th</sup> September. Through Weymouth trains do not run on 12<sup>th</sup>.

Trains operated by GWR – <https://www.gwr.com>

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**Melksham Station is just a ten minute walk from the Town Bridge**, on Station Approach which is in the fork between the Bath and Chippenham Roads.

An underpass for pedestrians and cycles ensures that people on foot do not have to cross any major roads between the town and the station. Sheltered cycle space is provided at the station. You can also take your cycle on the train.

## Some adult fares from Melksham:

Day return to Swindon £10.50 (£7.80 after the 07:53, all day at weekend)  
 Day return to Westbury £4.90 (£4.10 after the 06:36, all day at weekend)  
 Day return to Bristol Temple Meads £12.40  
 Day return to Clifton Down £12.60 (£10.50 after the 07:53, all day at weekend)  
 Children under 5 - free of charge. 5 to 15 years - half fare.  
 Groupsave (a third off for groups of three or more) on off peak fares.  
 If you hold a railcard, railcard discounts are available on the quoted fares.

*A ticket machine is available at Melksham Station or you can book ahead online.*

**Car Parking at Melksham Station** – The TransWilts Community Interest Company lease the site from Wiltshire Council. Smart Parking manage the car park. Queries should be addressed to <https://www.smartparking.com/contact> or <https://melkshamhub.co.uk/car-parking/>

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 30 minutes                       | <b>£0.00</b>  |
| 1 hour                           | <b>£0.30</b>  |
| 2 hours                          | <b>£0.60</b>  |
| 3 hours                          | <b>£0.90</b>  |
| 4 hours                          | <b>£1.20</b>  |
| 5 hours                          | <b>£1.50</b>  |
| Daily up to midnight             | <b>£2.50</b>  |
| Daily after 10am up to midnight  | <b>£2.00</b>  |
| 24 hours                         | <b>£3.60</b>  |
| Weekly (pay 5 days, park 7 days) | <b>£12.50</b> |
| Weekend daily rate to midnight   | <b>£2.00</b>  |

| <b>Season tickets</b> <small>Payment for season tickets is only available via the RingGo app</small> |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Monthly  | <b>£50.00</b>                 |
| Quarterly  | <b>£145.00</b>                |
| Annually   | <b>£400.00</b>                |
| Electric vehicle charging points   | <b>Parking tariff applies</b> |

*TransWilts write:* "Melksham Station's car parking will expand to 52 parking spaces. Up to 20 minutes car parking is free at the platform in the short stay spaces or 30 minutes in the Hub car park. There are designated disabled spaces adjacent to the platform. Motorcyclists can park free of charge in the designated area. We are installing lighting and CCTV coverage for both the car park and café areas. **Parking charges were introduced from 31st July.**

We're pleased to say our flexible parking tariffs are competitive compared to charges at other local stations. Parking is 30p per hour and an annual season ticket provides year round 5-day-a-week parking for £1.60 a day. The ticket machines in both the south and north car parks will take cash and

a credit/debit card. We've installed Automatic Number plate Recognition Cameras. These will record entry and exit times to check for over-stays parking can also be paid for using the RingGo App. RingGo is particularly handy if you need to extend your parking when a returning train is delayed or cancelled. Cheaper than incurring a parking ticket!

We will provide parking spaces for electric car users. This will be strictly reserved for electric car drivers for recharging use only."



Saturday

Buses towards Devizes

|                            | 272  | 271  | 272  | 271  | 272  | 271  | 272  | 271 | 272 | 271 | 272 | 271 | 272 | 271  | 272  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  |      |      |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Bath Bus Station Bay 9     |      |      | 0845 | 0915 | 0945 | 1015 | 1045 |     |     | 15  | 45  |     |     | 1615 | 1645 | 1715 | 1745 | 1845 | 1945 | 2105 | 2315 |
| Bathford High Street       |      |      | ↓    | 0933 | ↓    | 1033 | ↓    |     |     | 33  | ↓   |     |     | 1633 | ↓    | 1737 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    |
| Kingsdown The Swan         |      |      | ↓    | 0935 | ↓    | 1035 | ↓    |     |     | 35  | ↓   |     |     | 1635 | ↓    | 1739 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    |
| Box Northey Arms           |      |      | 0905 | ↓    | 1005 | ↓    | 1105 |     |     | 42  | 05  |     |     | ↓    | 1705 | ↓    | 1807 | 1905 | 2002 | 2121 | 2331 |
| Atworth Post Office Lane   |      |      | 0912 | 0942 | 1012 | 1042 | 1112 |     |     | 42  | 12  |     |     | 1642 | 1712 | 1746 | 1814 | 1912 | 2009 | 2128 | 2338 |
| Whitley Pear Tree          |      |      | ↓    | 0946 | ↓    | 1046 | ↓    |     |     | 46  | ↓   |     |     | 1646 | ↓    | 1750 | 1818 | 1916 | 2013 | 2132 | 2342 |
| Shaw Church Farm           |      |      | 0915 | 0950 | 1015 | 1050 | 1115 |     |     | 50  | 15  |     |     | 1650 | 1715 | 1754 | 1822 | 1920 | 2017 | 2135 | 2345 |
| Melksham Market Place      | 0800 | 0902 | 0925 | 1002 | 1025 | 1102 | 1125 |     |     | 02  | 25  |     |     | 1702 | 1725 | 1804 | 1832 | 1926 | 2023 | 2141 | 2351 |
| Melksham Forest Tower Road | ↓    | 0908 | ↓    | 1008 | ↓    | 1108 | ↓    |     |     | 08  | ↓   |     |     | 1708 | ↓    | 1810 | 1837 | 1931 | 2028 | 2146 | 2356 |
| Bowerhill Kingfisher Drive | 0806 | 0914 | 0931 | 1014 | 1031 | 1114 | 1131 |     |     | 14  | 31  |     |     | 1715 | 1731 | 1817 | 1844 | 1938 | 2035 | 2153 | 0003 |
| Sells Green Three Magpies  | 0811 |      | 0936 |      | 1036 |      | 1136 |     |     | 36  |     |     |     | 1720 | 1736 | 1822 | 1849 | 1943 | 2040 | 2158 | 0008 |
| Devizes Market Place       | 0819 |      | 0944 |      | 1044 |      | 1144 |     |     | 44  |     |     |     | 1728 | 1744 | 1830 | 1857 | 1950 | 2047 | 2204 | 0014 |
|                            |      |      | C    |      | C    |      | C    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

Buses towards Bath

|                              | 271  | 272  | 272  | 271  | 272  | 271  | 272  | 271 | 272 | 271 | 272 | 271 | 272 | 271  | 272  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  |      |      |
|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Devizes Market Place Pelican |      |      | 0743 | 0832 |      | 0932 | 1032 |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Sells Green Three Magpies    |      |      | 0750 | 0839 |      | 0939 | 1039 |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Melksham Forest Tower Road   |      |      | ↓    | ↓    | 0908 | ↓    | 1008 | ↓   |     | 08  | ↓   |     |     | 1508 | ↓    | 1608 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    |      |
| Bowerhill Kingfisher Drive   | 0707 | 0755 | 0844 | 0914 | 0944 | 1014 | 1044 |     |     | 14  | 44  |     |     | 1514 | 1544 | 1614 | 1644 | 1744 | 1843 | 2011 | 2221 |
| Melksham Forest Church       |      |      | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    |     |     | 24  | 54  |     |     | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | 1751 | 1850 | 2018 | 2228 |
| Melksham Market Place        | 0715 | 0803 | 0854 | 0924 | 0954 | 1024 | 1054 |     |     | 31  | 01  |     |     | 1524 | 1554 | 1624 | 1654 | 1756 | 1856 | 2023 | 2233 |
| Shaw Church Farm             | 0721 | 0810 | 0901 | 0931 | 1001 | 1031 | 1101 |     |     | 31  | 01  |     |     | 1531 | 1601 | 1631 | 1701 | 1803 | 1901 | 2028 | 2238 |
| Whitley Pear Tree            | 0725 | ↓    | ↓    | 0935 | ↓    | 1035 | ↓    |     |     | 35  | ↓   |     |     | 1535 | ↓    | 1635 | ↓    | 1807 | 1904 | 2031 | 2241 |
| Atworth Post Office Lane     | 0729 | 0813 | 0904 | 0939 | 1004 | 1039 | 1104 |     |     | 39  | 04  |     |     | 1539 | 1604 | 1639 | 1704 | 1811 | 1908 | 2035 | 2245 |
| Box Northey Arms             | ↓    | 0820 | 0911 | ↓    | 1011 | ↓    | 1111 |     |     | 39  | 11  |     |     | ↓    | 1611 | ↓    | 1711 | 1818 | 1915 | 2042 | 2252 |
| Kingsdown The Swan           | 0736 | ↓    | ↓    | 0946 | ↓    | 1046 | ↓    |     |     | 46  | ↓   |     |     | 1546 | ↓    | 1646 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    |
| Bathford High Street         | 0738 | ↓    | ↓    | 0948 | ↓    | 1048 | ↓    |     |     | 48  | ↓   |     |     | 1548 | ↓    | 1648 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    |
| Bath Bus Station Bay 9       | 0752 | 0840 | 0931 | 1008 | 1031 | 1106 | 1131 |     |     | 06  | 31  |     |     | 1606 | 1631 | 1706 | 1731 | 1836 | 1932 | 2058 | 2308 |

Sunday

Buses towards Devizes

|                            | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Bath Bus Station Bay 9     |      | 1110 | 1310 | 1510 | 1710 | 1910 |
| Box Northey Arms           |      | 1127 | 1327 | 1527 | 1727 | 1927 |
| Atworth Post Office Lane   |      | 1134 | 1334 | 1534 | 1734 | 1934 |
| Whitley Pear Tree          |      | 1138 | 1338 | 1538 | 1738 | 1938 |
| Shaw Church Farm           |      | 1142 | 1342 | 1542 | 1742 | 1942 |
| Melksham Market Place      | 0950 | 1150 | 1350 | 1550 | 1750 | 1950 |
| Melksham Forest Tower Road | 0955 | 1155 | 1355 | 1555 | 1755 | 1955 |
| Bowerhill Kingfisher Drive | 1002 | 1202 | 1402 | 1602 | 1802 | 2002 |
| Sells Green Three Magpies  | 1007 | 1207 | 1407 | 1607 | 1807 | 2007 |
| Devizes Market Place       | 1014 | 1214 | 1414 | 1614 | 1814 | 2014 |
|                            |      | U    | U    | U    | U    | U    |

Buses towards Bath

|                              | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  | WCS  |
|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Devizes Market Place Pelican | 0912 | 1112 | 1312 | 1512 | 1712 | 1912 |
| Sells Green Three Magpies    | 0919 | 1119 | 1319 | 1519 | 1719 | 1919 |
| Bowerhill Kingfisher Drive   | 0924 | 1124 | 1324 | 1524 | 1724 | 1924 |
| Melksham Forest Church       | 0931 | 1131 | 1331 | 1531 | 1731 | 1931 |
| Melksham Market Place        | 0938 | 1138 | 1338 | 1538 | 1738 | 1936 |
| Shaw Church Farm             | 0945 | 1145 | 1345 | 1545 | 1745 |      |
| Whitley Pear Tree            | 0949 | 1149 | 1349 | 1549 | 1749 |      |
| Atworth Post Office Lane     | 0953 | 1153 | 1353 | 1553 | 1753 |      |
| Box Northey Arms             | 1000 | 1200 | 1400 | 1600 | 1800 |      |
| Bath Bus Station Bay 9       | 1020 | 1220 | 1420 | 1620 | 1820 |      |

U - to Urchfont  
WCS - Wilts Council Supported

19:12 Sunday from Devizes - call at intermediate points to Melksham only if required by passengers joining in Devizes

# Bus Route x34 – as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020

## Chippenham – Melksham – Trowbridge - Frome

Operated by Faresaver

overleaf for other buses from Melksham to Trowbridge

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### Monday to Friday

#### Buses towards Frome

|                                |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Chippenham Bus Station Bay 5   | 0630 | 0720 | 0735 | 0830 | 0900 | 0930 | 1000 | 1030 | 1100 | 1130 | 1200 | 1230 | 1300 | 1330 | 1405 | 1435  | 1505 | 1535 | 1605 | 1635 | 1730 |
| Chippenham Railway Station     | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼     | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    |
| Chippenham Hospital            | 0633 | 0723 | 0738 | 0833 | 0903 | 0933 | 1003 | 1033 | 1103 | 1133 | 1203 | 1233 | 1303 | 1333 | 1415 | 1445  | 1515 | 1545 | 1615 | 1645 | 1736 |
| Chippenham Sainsbury's         | 0636 | 0726 | 0741 | 0836 | 0906 | 0936 | 1006 | 1036 | 1106 | 1136 | 1206 | 1236 | 1306 | 1336 | 1418 | 1448  | 1518 | 1548 | 1618 | 1648 | 1743 |
| Lackham Wiltshire College      | 0639 | 0729 | 0744 | 0839 | 0909 | 0939 | 1009 | 1039 | 1109 | 1139 | 1209 | 1239 | 1309 | 1339 | 1421 | 1451  | 1521 | 1551 | 1621 | 1651 | 1746 |
| Lacock The George Inn          | 0642 | 0732 | 0747 | 0842 | 0912 | 0942 | 1012 | 1042 | 1112 | 1142 | 1212 | 1242 | 1312 | 1342 | 1424 | 1454  | 1524 | 1554 | 1624 | 1654 | 1749 |
| Beanacre Bus Shelter           | 0646 | 0736 | 0751 | 0846 | 0916 | 0946 | 1016 | 1046 | 1116 | 1146 | 1216 | 1246 | 1316 | 1346 | 1428 | 1458  | 1528 | 1558 | 1628 | 1658 | 1753 |
| Melksham Market Place          | 0653 | 0746 | 0803 | 0856 | 0926 | 0956 | 1026 | 1056 | 1126 | 1156 | 1226 | 1256 | 1326 | 1356 | 1439 | 1509M | 1539 | 1609 | 1639 | 1709 | 1804 |
| Semington Somerset Arms        | 0658 | 0752 | 0809 | 0902 | 0932 | 1002 | 1032 | 1102 | 1132 | 1202 | 1232 | 1302 | 1332 | 1402 | 1445 | 1518  | 1545 | 1615 | 1645 | 1715 | 1810 |
| Castlemead Leap Gate           | ▼    | 0800 | ▼    | 0909 | ▼    | 1009 | ▼    | 1109 | ▼    | 1209 | ▼    | 1309 | ▼    | 1409 | ▼    | 1525  | ▼    | 1622 | ▼    | 1722 | 1817 |
| Hilpertown Marsh Horse Road    | 0707 | 0810 | 0818 | 0915 | 0942 | 1015 | 1042 | 1115 | 1142 | 1215 | 1242 | 1315 | 1342 | 1415 | 1455 | 1531  | 1555 | 1628 | 1655 | 1728 | 1823 |
| Trowbridge Town Hall           | 0715 | 0820 | 0828 | 0925 | 0952 | 1025 | 1052 | 1125 | 1152 | 1225 | 1252 | 1325 | 1352 | 1421 | 1506 | 1539  | 1606 | 1639 | 1706 | 1739 | 1829 |
| Trowbridge Trinity Church      | 0718 | 0823 | 0830 | 0927 | 0954 | 1027 | 1054 | 1127 | 1154 | 1227 | 1254 | 1327 | 1354 | 1509 | 1542 | 1609  | 1642 | 1709 | 1742 |      |      |
| Frome Rd for Wiltshire College | 0722 | 0830 | 0838 | 0931 | 0958 | 1031 | 1058 | 1131 | 1158 | 1231 | 1258 | 1331 | 1358 | 1515 | 1548 | 1615  | 1648 | 1715 | 1748 |      |      |
| Southwick Church               | 0724 | 0832 | ▼    | 0933 | 1000 | 1033 | 1100 | 1133 | 1200 | 1233 | 1300 | 1333 | 1400 | 1517 | 1550 | 1617  | 1650 | 1717 | 1750 |      |      |
| Rode Memorial Hall             | 0729 | 0837 | ▼    | 1005 | ▼    | 1105 | ▼    | 1205 | ▼    | 1305 | ▼    | 1405 | ▼    | 1522 | ▼    | 1622  | ▼    | 1722 | ▼    | 1801 |      |
| Beckington Bus Shelter         | 0735 | 0843 | ▼    | 0941 | 1011 | 1041 | 1111 | 1141 | 1211 | 1241 | 1311 | 1341 | 1411 | 1528 | 1558 | 1628  | 1658 | 1728 | 1758 |      |      |
| Oldford Jay's Kitchen          | 0738 | 0846 | ▼    | 0944 | 1014 | 1044 | 1114 | 1144 | 1214 | 1244 | 1314 | 1344 | 1414 | 1531 | 1601 | 1631  | 1701 | 1731 | 1801 |      |      |
| Frome Market Place             | 0743 | 0851 | ▼    | 0949 | 1019 | 1049 | 1119 | 1149 | 1219 | 1249 | 1319 | 1349 | 1419 | 1536 | 1606 | 1636  | 1706 | 1736 | 1806 |      |      |

#### Buses towards Chippenham

|                                |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------------------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Frome Market Place             | 0655 | 0725  | 0755 | ▼    | 0930 | 1000 | 1030 | 1100 | 1130 | 1200 | 1230 | 1300 | 1330 | 1400 | 1445 | 1545 | 1615 | 1645 | 1730 |      |      |
| Frome College Bath Road        | 0657 | 0727  | 0757 | ▼    | 0932 | 1002 | 1032 | 1102 | 1132 | 1202 | 1232 | 1302 | 1332 | 1402 | 1447 | 1547 | 1617 | 1647 | 1732 |      |      |
| Oldford Jay's Kitchen          | 0659 | 0729  | 0759 | ▼    | 0934 | 1004 | 1034 | 1104 | 1134 | 1204 | 1234 | 1304 | 1334 | 1404 | 1449 | 1549 | 1619 | 1649 | 1734 |      |      |
| Beckington Bus Shelter         | 0702 | 0732  | 0802 | ▼    | 0937 | 1007 | 1037 | 1107 | 1137 | 1207 | 1237 | 1307 | 1337 | 1407 | 1452 | 1552 | 1622 | 1652 | 1737 |      |      |
| Rode Memorial Hall             | 0708 | ▼     | 0808 | ▼    | 1012 | ▼    | 1112 | ▼    | 1212 | ▼    | 1312 | ▼    | 1412 | ▼    | 1457 | ▼    | 1627 | ▼    | 1742 |      |      |
| Southwick Church               | 0714 | 0739  | 0814 | ▼    | 0944 | 1018 | 1044 | 1118 | 1144 | 1218 | 1244 | 1318 | 1344 | 1418 | 1503 | 1559 | 1633 | 1659 | 1748 |      |      |
| Frome Rd for Wiltshire College | 0716 | 0741  | 0816 | ▼    | 0946 | 1020 | 1046 | 1120 | 1146 | 1220 | 1246 | 1320 | 1346 | 1420 | 1505 | 1602 | 1636 | 1702 | 1751 |      |      |
| Trowbridge Trinity Church      | 0721 | 0746  | 0821 | ▼    | 0951 | 1025 | 1051 | 1125 | 1151 | 1225 | 1251 | 1325 | 1351 | 1425 | 1512 | 1609 | 1643 | 1709 | 1756 |      |      |
| Trowbridge Town Hall           | 0638 | 0730  | 0755 | 0830 | 0900 | 0933 | 1000 | 1033 | 1100 | 1133 | 1200 | 1233 | 1300 | 1333 | 1400 | 1433 | 1520 | 1620 | 1650 | 1720 | 1800 |
| Hilpertown Marsh Horse Road    | 0644 | 0737  | 0802 | 0837 | 0907 | 0940 | 1007 | 1040 | 1107 | 1140 | 1207 | 1240 | 1307 | 1340 | 1407 | 1440 | 1527 | 1627 | 1657 | 1727 | 1807 |
| Castlemead Leap Gate           | 0650 | ▼     | 0809 | ▼    | 0913 | ▼    | 1013 | ▼    | 1113 | ▼    | 1213 | ▼    | 1313 | ▼    | 1413 | ▼    | 1533 | 1633 | ▼    | 1733 | ▼    |
| Semington Somerset Arms        | 0656 | 0746S | 0815 | 0846 | 0919 | 0949 | 1019 | 1049 | 1119 | 1149 | 1219 | 1249 | 1319 | 1349 | 1419 | 1449 | 1539 | 1639 | 1706 | 1739 | 1816 |
| Melksham Market Place          | 0702 | 0801  | 0824 | 0855 | 0928 | 0958 | 1028 | 1058 | 1128 | 1158 | 1228 | 1258 | 1328 | 1358 | 1428 | 1458 | 1547 | 1647 | 1714 | 1747 | 1824 |
| Beanacre Bus Shelter           | 0709 | 0809  | 0831 | 0902 | 0935 | 1005 | 1035 | 1105 | 1135 | 1205 | 1235 | 1305 | 1335 | 1405 | 1435 | 1505 | 1554 | 1654 | 1721 | 1754 | 1831 |
| Lacock The George Inn          | 0712 | 0812  | 0834 | 0905 | 0938 | 1008 | 1038 | 1108 | 1138 | 1208 | 1238 | 1308 | 1338 | 1408 | 1438 | 1508 | 1557 | 1657 | 1724 | 1757 | 1834 |
| Lackham Wiltshire College      | 0716 | 0816  | 0838 | 0909 | 0942 | 1012 | 1042 | 1112 | 1142 | 1212 | 1242 | 1312 | 1342 | 1412 | 1442 | 1512 | 1601 | 1701 | 1728 | 1801 | 1838 |
| Chippenham Sainsbury's         | 0719 | 0819  | 0841 | 0912 | 0945 | 1015 | 1045 | 1115 | 1145 | 1215 | 1245 | 1315 | 1345 | 1415 | 1445 | 1515 | 1604 | 1704 | 1731 | 1804 | 1841 |
| Chippenham Hospital            | 0722 | 0823  | 0844 | 0915 | 0948 | 1018 | 1048 | 1118 | 1148 | 1218 | 1248 | 1318 | 1348 | 1418 | 1448 | 1518 | 1607 | 1707 | 1734 | 1807 | 1844 |
| Chippenham Railway Station     | 0727 | 0831  | 0852 | 0919 | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    |
| Chippenham Bus Station         | 0732 | 0837  | 0858 | 0925 | 0952 | 1022 | 1052 | 1122 | 1152 | 1222 | 1252 | 1322 | 1352 | 1422 | 1452 | 1522 | 1611 | TB   | 1738 | 1811 | 1848 |

### Saturday

#### Buses towards Frome

|                                |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Chippenham Bus Station Bay 5   | 0800 | 0900 | 1000 | 1100 | 1200 | 1300 | 1400 | 1530 | 1630 | 1730 |
| Chippenham Railway Station     | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    | ▼    |
| Chippenham Hospital            | 0803 | 0903 | 1003 | 1103 | 1203 | 1303 | 1403 | 1538 | 1638 | 1738 |
| Chippenham Sainsbury's         | 0806 | 0906 | 1006 | 1106 | 1206 | 1306 | 1406 | 1541 | 1641 | 1741 |
| Lacock The George Inn          | 0812 | 0912 | 1012 | 1112 | 1212 | 1312 | 1412 | 1547 | 1647 | 1747 |
| Beanacre Bus Shelter           | 0816 | 0916 | 1016 | 1116 | 1216 | 1316 | 1416 | 1551 | 1651 | 1751 |
| Melksham Market Place          | 0705 | 0826 | 0926 | 1026 | 1126 | 1226 | 1326 | 1426 | 1601 | 1701 |
| Semington Somerset Arms        | 0711 | 0832 | 0932 | 1032 | 1132 | 1232 | 1332 | 1432 | 1607 | 1707 |
| Castlemead Leap Gate           | 0717 | 0839 | 0939 | 1039 | 1139 | 1239 | 1339 | 1439 | 1614 | 1714 |
| Hilpertown Marsh Horse Road    | 0722 | 0845 | 0945 | 1045 | 1145 | 1245 | 1345 | 1445 | 1620 | 1720 |
| Trowbridge Town Hall           | 0728 | 0854 | 0954 | 1054 | 1154 | 1254 | 1354 | 1454 | 1629 | 1729 |
| Trowbridge Trinity Church      | 0730 | 0856 | 0956 | 1056 | 1156 | 1256 | 1356 | 1456 | 1631 | 1731 |
| Frome Rd for Wiltshire College | 0734 | 0900 | 1000 | 1100 | 1200 | 1300 | 1400 | 1500 | 1635 | 1735 |
| Southwick Church               | 0736 | 0902 | 1002 | 1102 | 1202 | 1302 | 1402 | 1502 | 1637 | 1737 |
| Rode Memorial Hall             | 0741 | 0907 | 1007 | 1107 | 1207 | 1307 | 1407 | 1507 | 1642 | 1742 |
| Beckington Bus Shelter         | 0746 | 0913 | 1013 | 1113 | 1213 | 1313 | 1413 | 1513 | 1648 | 1748 |
| Oldford Jay's Kitchen          | 0749 | 0916 | 1016 | 1116 | 1216 | 1316 | 1416 | 1516 | 1651 | 1751 |
| Frome Market Place             | 0754 | 0921 | 1021 | 1121 | 1221 | 1321 | 1421 | 1521 | 1656 | 1756 |

#### Buses towards Chippenham

|                                |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Frome Market Place             | 0710 | 0810 | 0935 | 1035 | 1135 | 1235 | 1335 | 1435 | 1535 | 1705 |
| Oldford Jay's Kitchen          | 0714 | 0814 | 0939 | 1039 | 1139 | 1239 | 1339 | 1439 | 1539 | 1709 |
| Beckington Bus Shelter         | 0717 | 0817 | 0942 | 1042 | 1142 | 1242 | 1342 | 1442 | 1542 | 1712 |
| Rode Memorial Hall             | 0722 | 0822 | 0947 | 1047 | 1147 | 1247 | 1347 | 1447 | 1547 | 1717 |
| Southwick Church               | 0728 | 0828 | 0953 | 1053 | 1153 | 1253 | 1353 | 1453 | 1553 | 1723 |
| Frome Rd for Wiltshire College | 0730 | 0830 | 0955 | 1055 | 1155 | 1255 | 1355 | 1455 | 1555 | 1725 |
| Trowbridge Trinity Church      | 0734 | 0834 | 0959 | 1059 | 1159 | 1259 | 1359 | 1459 | 1559 | 1729 |
| Trowbridge Town Hall *         | 0702 | 0742 | 0840 | 1007 | 1107 | 1207 | 1307 | 1407 | 1507 | 1607 |
| Hilpertown Marsh Horse Road    | 0709 | 0749 | 0847 | 1014 | 1114 | 1214 | 1314 | 1414 | 1514 | 1614 |
| Castlemead Leap Gate           | 0715 | 0755 | 0853 | 1020 |      |      |      |      |      |      |

# National Express, 68 and 69 – September 2020

**Frome – Trowbridge – Melksham – Devizes – Swindon – London**  
 correlated by Melksham Rail User Group, operated by National Express



--- From 27th July 2020 ---

| Daily | National Exp. | Sa,Su | Mon-Fri |
|-------|---------------|-------|---------|
| 08:15 | Frome         | 21:15 | 21:30   |
| 08:35 | Trowbridge    | 20:55 | 21:10   |
| 08:50 | Melksham      | 20:45 | 21:00   |
| 09:10 | Devizes       | 20:30 | 20:45   |
| 09:55 | Swindon       | 19:50 | 20:05   |
| 11:25 | Heathrow      | 18:20 | 18:30   |
| 12:20 | Victoria      | 17:30 | 17:30   |

Coach now calls  
 on Spa Road  
 in  
 Melksham

Not at  
 Town Hall

Bookable at  
 the TIC

## Bus Route 68/69 – September 2020

**Corsham – Melksham – Holt – Bradford-on-Avon – Trowbridge**  
 correlated by Melksham Rail User Group, operated by Faresaver  
 See overleaf for service x34 Melksham to Trowbridge via Semington

| Monday - Friday                | 68   | 69  | 68m | 69   | 69   | 68   | 68m  | x69m | Monday - Friday               | x69m                           | 69  | 69   | 69   | 68   | 68    | 68m  |      |   |
|--------------------------------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------|------|------|-------|------|------|---|
| CORSHAM, Newlands Road         | 720  | —   | —   | 1005 | 1205 | 1305 | —    | —    | TROWBRIDGE, Town Hall         | —                              | 850 | 1110 | 1310 | 1410 | 1600  | 1720 | 1735 |   |
| Gastard, Harp & Crown          | 724  | —   | —   | 1010 | 1210 | 1310 | —    | —    | Trowbridge, Fore Street       | —                              | 851 | 1111 | 1311 | 1411 | 1601  | 1721 | 1736 |   |
| Whitley, Corsham Road          | 727  | —   | —   | 1014 | 1214 | 1314 | —    | —    | Trowbridge, Trinity Church    | —                              | 853 | 1113 | 1313 | 1413 | 1604  | B    | B    |   |
| Atworth, Purpitt               | 730  | —   | —   | 1017 | 1217 | 1317 | —    | —    | Bradford on Avon, Town Bridge | 746                            | 902 | 1122 | 1322 | 1422 | B     | B    | B    |   |
| Atworth, Clock                 | 732  | —   | —   | 1019 | R    | R    | —    | —    | Staverton, Old Bear           | —                              | —   | —    | —    | —    | 1615  | 1730 | 1745 |   |
| Shaw, Church                   | 737  | —   | —   | 1023 | 1221 | 1321 | —    | —    | Holt, Three Lions             | 751                            | 908 | 1128 | 1328 | 1428 | 1620  | 1735 | R    |   |
| Melksham, Market Place         | 745  | —   | 855 | 1033 | 1233 | 1333 | 1635 | 1705 | 1805                          | Holt, Station Road (Avonfield) | —   | 910  | R    | R    | R     | R    | R    | — |
| Broughton Gifford, Fox         | 754  | —   | 903 | 1041 | 1241 | 1341 | 1643 | 1711 | —                             | Broughton Gifford, Fox         | 756 | 914  | 1133 | 1333 | 1433  | 1625 | 1740 | R |
| Holt, Station Road (Avonfield) | —    | —   | 908 | R    | R    | R    | —    | —    | Melksham, Market Place        | 805x                           | 925 | 1143 | 1343 | 1443 | 1635  | 1750 | —    |   |
| Holt, Three Lions              | 800  | 900 | 911 | 1046 | 1246 | 1346 | 1648 | 1715 | 1813                          | Shaw, Church                   | —   | 931  | 1148 | 1348 | 1448  | —    | 1755 | — |
| Staverton, Old Bear            | 808  | —   | 916 | —    | —    | 1653 | 1721 | —    | —                             | Atworth, Clock                 | —   | 935  | —    | R    | —     | —    | R    | — |
| Bradford on Avon, Town Bridge  | B    | 905 | B   | 1052 | 1252 | 1352 | B    | B    | 1818                          | Atworth, Purpitt               | —   | 937  | —    | 1352 | R     | —    | R    | — |
| Trowbridge, Trinity Church     | 823m | —   | —   | 1059 | 1259 | 1359 | B    | B    | —                             | Whitley, Corsham Road          | —   | 940  | 1151 | 1355 | 1451  | —    | 1757 | — |
| TROWBRIDGE, Town Hall          | 818m | —   | 928 | 1104 | 1304 | 1404 | 1705 | 1733 | —                             | Gastard, Harp & Crown          | —   | 944  | 1155 | 1359 | 1455  | —    | 1801 | — |
|                                |      |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |                               | CORSHAM, Newlands Road         | —   | 950  | 1200 | 1404 | 1500# | —    | 1806 | — |

| Saturday                        | 68m | 69   | 69   | 69   | 68   | x69m | Saturday                       | x69m | 69   | 69   | 69   | 68   |
|---------------------------------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| CORSHAM, Newlands Road          | —   | 955  | 1205 | 1440 | 1630 | —    | TROWBRIDGE, Town Hall          | —    | 1100 | 1310 | 1535 | 1725 |
| Gastard, Harp & Crown           | —   | 1000 | 1210 | 1445 | 1635 | —    | Trowbridge, Fore Street        | —    | 1101 | 1311 | 1536 | 1726 |
| Whitley, Corsham Road           | —   | 1004 | 1214 | 1449 | 1639 | —    | Trowbridge, Trinity Church     | —    | 1103 | 1313 | 1538 | —    |
| Atworth, Purpitt                | —   | 1007 | 1217 | R    | R    | —    | Bradford on Avon, Town Bridge  | 811  | 1112 | 1322 | 1546 | —    |
| Atworth, Clock                  | —   | 1009 | 1219 | R    | R    | —    | Staverton, Old Bear            | —    | —    | —    | 1735 | —    |
| Shaw, Church                    | —   | 1013 | 1223 | 1454 | 1644 | —    | Holt, Three Lions              | 816  | 1118 | 1328 | 1551 | 1740 |
| Melksham, Market Place          | 855 | 1023 | 1233 | 1500 | 1650 | 1735 | Holt, Station Road (Avonfield) | —    | R    | R    | R    | R    |
| Broughton Gifford, Fox          | 903 | 1031 | 1241 | 1508 | 1658 | —    | Broughton Gifford, Fox         | 821  | 1123 | 1333 | 1556 | 1745 |
| Holt, Station Road (Avonfield)  | 908 | R    | R    | —    | —    | —    | Melksham, Market Place         | 830x | 1133 | 1343 | 1606 | 1755 |
| Holt, Three Lions               | 911 | 1036 | 1246 | 1512 | 1702 | 1743 | Shaw, Church                   | —    | 1139 | 1349 | 1612 | 1801 |
| Staverton, Old Bear             | 916 | —    | —    | 1707 | —    | —    | Atworth, Clock                 | —    | 1143 | R    | R    | R    |
| Bradford on Avon, Town Bridge   | B   | 1042 | 1252 | 1518 | B    | 1748 | Atworth, Purpitt               | —    | 1145 | 1353 | R    | R    |
| Trowbridge, Trinity Church (for | B   | 1049 | 1259 | 1525 | B    | —    | Whitley, Corsham Road          | —    | 1148 | 1356 | 1614 | 1803 |
| TROWBRIDGE, Town Hall           | 928 | 1054 | 1304 | 1530 | 1718 | —    | Gastard, Harp & Crown          | —    | 1152 | 1359 | 1617 | 1806 |
|                                 |     |      |      |      |      |      | CORSHAM, Newlands Road         | —    | 1157 | 1404 | 1622 | 1811 |

**Key:**

- R** - The bus will only call at this point if required by passengers on the bus.
- m** - This journey is operated by the Frome Minibuses bus company.
- @** - Sets down on Pickwick Road, NOT Newlands Road
- B** - This journey runs via Trowbridge Hospital and Staverton – NOT Bradford.
- m** - Sets down at Manvers St. in Trowbridge Town Centre, then continues to Trinity Church (for John of Gaunt).
- x** - Terminates at Lowbourne in the town centre, then continues as service 14 to Melksham Forest.
- v** - This journey is operated by Libra Travel and continues to Bradford on Avon rail station.



# Melksham Town Bus – as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Saturday service – Monday to Friday overleaf

also Service x76

## Marlborough – Calne – Melksham – Bath – Royal United Hospital

correlated by Melksham Rail User Group, operated by Buses of Swindon

for other buses to Bath, see services 271, 272 and 273

### Timetable

Route: 14 15 Melksham Town

Saturday

23-06-2018

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|                    | 268-2 | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    |
|--------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| ASDA Supermarket   | 0935  | 1035 | 1135 | 1235 | 1335 | 1440 | 1540 | 1620 | 1700 |      |
| Sainsbury's        | 0939  | 1039 | 1139 | 1239 | 1339 | 1444 | 1544 | 1624 | 1704 |      |
| Lowbourn - Buds    | 0832  | 0942 | 1042 | 1142 | 1242 | 1342 | 1447 | 1547 | 1627 | 1707 |
| Forest Road        | 0834  | 0944 | 1044 | 1144 | 1244 | 1344 | 1449 | 1549 | 1629 | 1709 |
| Methuen Avenue     | 0836  | 0946 | 1046 | 1146 | 1246 | 1346 | 1451 | 1551 | 1631 | R    |
| Melksham Forest    | 0838  | 0948 | 1048 | 1148 | 1248 | 1348 | 1453 | 1553 | 1633 | 1713 |
| Sherwood Avenue    | 0840  | 0950 | 1050 | 1150 | 1250 | 1350 | 1455 | 1555 | 1635 | 1715 |
| Blackmore Road     | 0842  | 0952 | 1052 | 1152 | 1252 | 1352 | 1457 | 1557 | 1637 | 1717 |
| Queensway          | 0844  | 0954 | 1054 | 1154 | 1254 | 1354 | 1459 | 1559 | 1639 | 1719 |
| Snowberry Lane     | 0846  | 0956 | 1056 | 1156 | 1256 | 1356 | 1501 | 1601 | 1641 | 1721 |
| Spa Road -Hospital | 0849  | 0959 | 1059 | 1159 | 1259 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Market Place       | 0851  | 1001 | 1101 | 1201 | 1301 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Sainsbury's        | -     | 1003 | 1103 | 1203 | 1303 |      |      |      |      |      |
| ASDA Supermarket   | -     | R    | 1107 | -    | 1307 |      |      |      |      |      |

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|                  | 1    | 1    | 1    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| ASDA Supermarket | 0915 | 1112 | 1312 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shumhold         | 0917 | 1114 | 1314 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dunch Lane       | 0918 | 1115 | 1315 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Addison Road     | 0919 | 1116 | 1316 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Southbrook Road  | 0920 | 1117 | 1317 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Avon Road        | 0927 | 1124 | 1324 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Granville Road   | 0929 | 1126 | 1326 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ASDA Supermarket | 0935 | 1132 | 1332 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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|                         | 1    | 1    |  |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|-------------------------|------|------|--|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| ASDA Supermarket        |      |      |  |      |      |      |      |      |  |
| Sainsbury's             |      | 1205 |  |      |      |      |      |      |  |
| Market Pl -Kings Arms   |      | 1208 |  |      |      |      |      |      |  |
| Spa Rd -for hospital    |      | -    |  |      |      |      |      |      |  |
| Holbrook Vale           | 1012 | 1212 |  |      |      |      |      |      |  |
| Snowberry -Surgery      | 1018 | 1218 |  | 1356 | 1501 | 1601 | 1641 | 1721 |  |
| Eastern Way -Thyme Rd   | 1019 | 1219 |  | 1357 | 1502 | 1602 | 1642 | 1722 |  |
| Skylark Road            | 1021 | 1221 |  | R    | R    | R    | R    | R    |  |
| Sandridge Rd Coop       | 1023 | 1223 |  | 1359 | 1504 | 1604 | 1644 | 1724 |  |
| Opposite Buds           | 1027 | 1227 |  | 1403 | 1508 | 1608 | 1648 | 1728 |  |
| Bank St for Sainsbury's | R    | R    |  | --   | 1509 | 1609 | 1649 | C    |  |
| ASDA Supermarket        | 1032 | 1232 |  | --   | 1513 | 1613 | 1653 | -    |  |

R Request stop- Only calls at this point if requested to do so by a passenger already on the bus  
C Continues to Market Place

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### Timetable Route x76

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

| route number                       | X76  |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Marlborough High Street            | 0910 |
| Barton Park Morris Road            | 0913 |
| Fyfield A4, The Stables            | 0917 |
| West Kennett opp Telephone Box     | 0920 |
| Beckhampton opp Waggon & Horses    | 0924 |
| Cherhill A4, opp Black Horse       | 0928 |
| Lower Compton A4, opp Compton Turn | 0929 |
| Quemerford Post Office             | 0931 |
| Calne The Strand, Town Hall        | 0935 |
| Derry Hill opp School              | 0940 |
| Bromham The Greyhound              | 0945 |
| Sandridge Common Bromham Turn      | 0946 |
| Melksham Forest Sandridge Co-op    | 0948 |
| Melksham Bank Street, Old Bear     | 0952 |
| Atworth Clock Tower                | 1007 |
| Bathford The Crown                 | 1018 |
| Bath Abbey, Orange Grove           | 1031 |

Continues to Royal United Hospital on request

Bath | Melksham | Calne | Marlborough

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

| route number                                   | X76  |
|--|------|
| Bath Royal United Hospital                     | 1305 |
| Bath Abbey, Orange Grove                       | 1325 |
| Bathford The Crown                             | 1335 |
| Atworth opp Clock Tower                        | 1345 |
| Melksham Bank Street, nr The Bear              | 1357 |
| Melksham Forest Sandridge Road, Foresters Arms | 1402 |
| Sandridge Common Bromham Turn                  | 1404 |
| Bromham opp The Greyhound                      | 1407 |
| Derry Hill School                              | 1412 |
| Calne The Strand, Bank House                   | 1420 |
| Quemerford Post Office                         | 1423 |
| Lower Compton Turn A4                          | 1425 |
| Beckhampton Waggon & Horses                    | 1429 |
| West Kennett A4, Telephone Box                 | 1434 |
| Fyfield A4, Garage                             | 1437 |
| Marlborough High Street                        | 1447 |

# Melksham

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## rail user group

# Melksham Rail User Group to become Melksham Transport User Group?

On the table for our September meeting - a proposal to rename the Melksham Rail User Group to the "**Melksham Transport User Group**". It's been informally discussed amongst our officers and active team.

We are so much more bus, cycle and walking concerned now – indeed you'll find 6 pages of bus and coach timetable, and just 2 pages of train timetable in this newsletter – though other news remains predominantly rail. Working with local authorities, councils and bus as well as train operators, and with many of us travelling by bus just as much as by train, our name should reflect our members and goals.

We would / will still very much support TransWilts. TransWilts have moved on from being a community group which was founded by MRUG volunteers. They are now rail and local government lead, with a salaried staff, Department for Transport designation, franchise and council funded, and policies which guide their activities. Whilst they can be (and are) innovative, they cannot easily be maverick any longer, even if that would be in Melksham's interest.

We will also remain the Station Friends group for Melksham Station – supporting and marketing station use, assisting with surveys, with our members helping as volunteers in weeding, cleaning, informing passengers, etc, in the station area. Also keeping an eye open for safety, security and other issues that need attention and acting / reporting as appropriate. With a staffed cafe due to open in the early autumn, with TransWilts contracting or employing an operator, we anticipate that operator will be willing, able, and logical to look after daily attentions at the station which a volunteer group might do at totally unstaffed locations.

Putting some scale ...

\* Passenger numbers have risen from 3,000 to 75,000 per annum and are forecast to rise beyond 300,000 in the next few years

\* MRUG is / has been run purely by its volunteers and will continue as MTUG in that way, with an income of around £1,300 per annum. TransWilts annual report for 2019/20 reports an income of £87,000 for the year. See <https://transwilts.org>

MRUG -> MTUG:

- looking after local community support and marketing
- all Melksham sustainable transport.

TransWilts CIC:

- medium, long term and big projects for rail in Wiltshire
- operating company for the Melksham Hub

## Train running report for August 2020

Limited data feeds have made overall figures for the month less than reliable. On several occasions during the month, trains were diverted off the direct Westbury to Reading line and on one day that resulted in the cancellation of our local trains. Signal and train faults also caused a few cancellations – good to see that GWR provided an alternative bus service for the evening peak train when that was cancelled. We hope to restore data feeds for September.

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