

Dear James

Thanks so much for facilitating the meeting on Monday. This is what I believe we can offer in addition to the proposed new timetable:-

A journey on 784 from Assington to Sudbury at 1005 on Mondays to Saturdays, with a return journey at 1205 from Sudbury on Mondays to Saturdays. It is possible to fit these two exception journeys into the timetable. Note that the 784 continues beyond the town centre as a 752 calling at the Homebase roundabout near the Chilton Medical Centre so people will be able to travel through. I believe this meets the immediate request you passed on from Assington Council to whom I will respond.

All of the journeys on the proposed 84 timetable except the 0732 from Mile End to Sudbury to operate on Mondays to Fridays during school holidays, although the departure from Colchester will run at 1635 rather than 1605 in the school holidays, which will probably be beneficial. I am afraid I cannot justify anything on Saturday on a commercial basis.

An additional journey in each direction on route 84A to operate on Thursdays (Sudbury market day) at 0930 from Nayland and 0936 from Stoke-by-Nayland to Sudbury, entering the town via Homebase roundabout and East Street. This bus would return from Sudbury via the same route at about 1235.

I am not proposing to provide any additional off-peak journeys for Levenheath High Road other than the school time buses given the location of the bus stops on the A134. If there is money available from the county or the parishes we can of course expand what we are offering further.

All these journeys are experimental whilst alternative solutions are found and we need to have another discussion after Easter about whether we can run all of them once the school holidays start and in the light of any progress with taxi or community bus services.

I hope that this represents a step forward and am happy to release these commitments more widely, if you wish to share this e-mail.

Kind regards

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