

10 May 2010

Dear Consultee

**Proposed change to Denominational Home to School Transport Policy**

I am writing to tell you about a change that Staffordshire County Council is proposing to make to its discretionary school transport policy. I also want to seek your views.

The change proposed would see the phasing out of free transport currently given to some pupils on denominational grounds. If implemented, it would mean that all Staffordshire's pupils would have the same entitlement to free transport to their nearest or catchment area school, if they live over the normal walking distance.

A Consultation Booklet has been published which explains the proposed changes. A copy of the booklet and other background information is available at the transport consultation website: [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation)

You can make your views known to Cabinet in a number of ways:

- Online – by completing a feedback form online at [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transportconsultation)
- By Post – by handwriting a feedback form and returning to:

Transport Consultation  
Staffordshire County Council  
Tipping Street  
Stafford  
ST16 2DH

If you need a form, a copy can be downloaded from the above web address.

- By Email – by sending your views to [transportconsultation@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:transportconsultation@staffordshire.gov.uk)

A number of public meetings have been arranged and the dates and venues are shown overleaf. As all the venues have a limited capacity, if you want to attend it is important that you book a place by calling 01785 276817.

We are keen to hear your views and promise that no decision will be taken until after the consultation period has ended on Friday 25 June. Your views will be considered by Staffordshire County Council's Cabinet on Wednesday 18 August 2010.

Yours faithfully



**Sally Rees**  
Corporate Director

## STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### DENOMINATIONAL HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT POLICY

#### DATES OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

These meetings are aimed at those families who will be directly affected by the proposed change.

Time and date	Venue and address	Venue capacity
7.00-8.30pm on <b>Monday 17 May</b>	Codsall Community High School (school hall) Elliotts Lane, Codsall, WV8 1PQ	330
7.00-8.30pm on <b>Tuesday 18 May</b>	Stafford Gatehouse Theatre (main theatre) Eastgate Street, Stafford, ST16 2LT	483
7.00-8.30pm on <b>Thursday 20 May</b>	Moorlands Sixth Form College Attlee Road, Cheadle, Stoke-on-Trent, ST10 1LL (car parking limited – alternative parking is available at the bus park in Cheadle)	400
7.00-8.30pm on <b>Tuesday 25 May</b>	Keele Conference Centre (ballroom) Darwin Building, Keele, ST5 5BG	330
5.00 – 6.30pm on <b>Tuesday 8 June</b>	King Edward VI Leisure Centre (main activity hall) King's Hill Road, Lichfield, WS14 9DE	100
7.00-8.30pm on <b>Tuesday 8 June</b>	King Edward VI Leisure Centre (main activity hall) King's Hill Road, Lichfield, WS14 9DE	100
7.00-8.30pm on <b>Thursday 10 June</b>	Burton Albion Football Club (Albion Suite) The Pirelli Stadium, Princess Way, Burton upon Trent, DE13 0AR	300

For obvious reasons, such as health and safety and car parking, each venue has a limited capacity. This means that audience numbers must be limited at each meeting.

**If you want to attend, please book a place by calling 01785 276817.**  
Please note that this number is a booking line only.

The best way to ensure that your views are seen by Cabinet members  
is to put them in writing: either online, by post or by email.

