

Aston Parish Community Minibus

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Meeting Minutes

Date Of Meeting: 8th May 2012 in St. James

Attendees: D.Phipps, A.Harris, J.Ordish, E.Wiltshire R.Jones A.Chalkly Apologies: Brian Bradley, Les Mitchel ,Jonathan Glitheroe

Minutes of last Meeting

As John had forgotten to bring these they will be approved at the next meeting

Routes

The routes to date are

Waitrose on Thursday Rota

Swindon Asda once a month David

Swindon central . at the moment no customers

It was discussed as to whether we should change the Asda run to Morrison's when it opens. No final decision made.

Morton market is still an option

David confirmed he would continue with the Asda run.

Mini Bus Viability

Tony outlined the viability of the bus saying we had had a surplus over 2 years all the others we had run at a loss.

It was decided we should raise a questionnaire as to what people wanted from the service

The rate of fares was also debated in view of the increase in fuel prices. It was decided to raise the fares as follows

Witney £2.50 to £3.50

Swindon £3.50 to £4.50

Hire £15 to £20 the mileage rate raised to 65p/mile from 60p/mile..

These increases would be from June 1st 2012.

Thanks were given to the Parish Council and the Bampton Trust for their donations.

Also thanks to the people that had given tokens.

Midas Certificate

Should drivers take this test. As Tony C.(who is an authorised assessor) offered to run these it was decided that it would be a good idea. It consists of theory and a practical test which Tony would run. David will email all drivers.

Replacement Bus.

David gave the committee details of a new grant scheme run by Oxford CC to help finance community buses. The letter received appeared to be very encouraging and it was decided that David and Tony H would arrange a meeting to get further information.

Note; From April 2013 all drivers over 45 will need a medical in line with EU requirements.

Meeting closed at 4.40. Date of next meeting to be arranged.