



**NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2024**

Hello everyone,

Welcome to our Autumn Newsletter. You can see overleaf the range of trips and the highlights are below.

We have had to restrict the trips in the first half of September, including regular shopping trip, due to unavailability of drivers. Apologies for this. **SPREAD THE WORD THAT WE NEED NEW DRIVERS!**

Early booking is appreciated for all trips and **advanced booking and pre-payment is essential for the Isle of Wight and Sinah Warren trips.** Your pre-payment will not be refunded if you cancel.

Finally, our crews are happy to assist you whilst on the minibus, but it is not their duty to escort you around venues we visit. If you require company, please pre-arrange this with other passengers.

Many thanks and kind regards, Steve O'Dowd: Local Coordinator (Telephone 01403 784428)

**Bookings for trips in this newsletter cannot be made until 09.00am on Tuesday 27th August.**

**Isle of Wight – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

Mark and Richard will crew on a tour of picturesque towns and villages of The Isle of Wight, with stops in Shanklin and Yarmouth. Includes ferry crossing. Non-refundable pre-payment is required, at time of booking.

Once booked, please send payment by cheque of £50 per passenger as follows:

**Cheques payable to R. CROMWELL**  
**10 Birch Drive, Billingshurst RH14 9RQ (telephone 01403 782389)**

**SEASIDE TRIPS.** There's still chances to visit the coast, before the winter. We have trips to Worthing, Ferring and Eastbourne.

**OTHER EXCURSIONS – EARY BOOKING REQUESTED**

**Sussex Prairie Garden** – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September: £4 fare + entry (£12 for concessions)

**Bosham** – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September: £8 fare

**D-Day Museum at Southsea** – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October: £12 fare + entry (£12.70 for concessions)

**Denmans Gardens** – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October: £8 fare + entry (£7 for concessions)

**Autumn Colours Scenic Drive** - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October: £12 fare

**Milestones Museum** – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November: £15 fare + entry (£8.50 for concessions)

**LUNCH / AFTERNOON TEA VISITS.** Trips to Hilliers, Horsham, Godalming, Sea Lane Café, Houghton Bridge and South Downs Garden Centre are on the schedule.

**SINAH WARREN (Warner's Hotel) Hayling Island - Wednesday 27th November**

Three course Christmas lunch. Entertainment including pantomime "Jack and The Beanstalk". Cost with travel £42. Only 9 spaces, so pre-booking and pre-payment (non-refundable) is essential.

Once booked, please send payment by cheque of £42 per passenger as follows:

**Cheques payable to Community Minibus Association (West Sussex)**  
**10 Kingsfold Close, Billingshurst RH14 9HG**

**PRESENTATION TO GERALDINE.** Thanks to all who signed the card and contributed to the collection for Geraldine. We presented the card and M&S and book vouchers to her on the trip to Houghton Bridge on 14<sup>th</sup> August. She was suitably surprised and grateful and sends her heartfelt thanks to all.

**Volunteer Meeting**

We will hold our annual meeting for volunteers on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October. We will review our services and discuss our successes, challenges and areas for improvement. If you have any feedback or suggestions about our services, please let any volunteer know and they will pass it on or call Steve on 01403 784428.

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BY CALLING **0300 772 7735**

For volunteer, associate membership, donation or sponsorship enquiries email  
[billingshurst.minibus@btinternet.com](mailto:billingshurst.minibus@btinternet.com) or ring Steve on (01403) 784428



# Billingshurst Community Minibus Schedule

## September 2024 to November 2024



registered charity no 1173818

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Date	Day	Time	Duration	Destination	Fare
03-Sep	Tue	10:00am	6 hrs	Worthing & Haskins	£8.00
04-Sep	Wed	1:00pm	3-4 hrs	Sussex Prairie Gardens, Henfield	£4 + entry
05-Sep	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
09-Sep	Mon	10:00am	6 hrs	Bosham	£8.00
12-Sep	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
17-Sep	Tue	10:00am	5-6 hrs	Godalming then Milford (Squires) Garden Centre for lunch	£6.00
19-Sep	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
19-Sep	Thu	2:30pm	2 hrs	Billingshurst Lidl	£2.00
24-Sep	Tue	11:00am	3-4 hrs	Ferring - Bluebird Café for lunch	£8.00
25-Sep	Wed	10:00am	6 hrs	Chichester Market Day	£8.00
26-Sep	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
26-Sep	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
01-Oct	Tue	9:00am	6 hrs	D-Day Museum, Southsea	£12 + entry
02-Oct	Wed	1:00pm	3-4 hrs	Hilliers Garden Centre, Horsham	£4.00
03-Oct	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
03-Oct	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
08-Oct	Tue	1:00pm	3-4 hrs	Shoreham Airport for tea	£8.00
09-Oct	Wed	8:00am	11 hrs	Isle of Wight	£50.00
10-Oct	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
10-Oct	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
11-Oct	Fri	10:00am	6 hrs	Denmans Gardens	£8.00 + entry
16-Oct	Wed	11:30am	3-4 hrs	Riverside Café, Houghton Bridge for Lunch	£8.00
17-Oct	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
17-Oct	Thu	2:30pm	2 hrs	Billingshurst Lidl	£2.00
22-Oct	Tue	1:00pm	3-4 hrs	Squires Garden Centre for tea	£6.00
23-Oct	Wed	10:00am	6 hrs	Chichester Market Day	£8.00
24-Oct	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
24-Oct	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
25-Oct	Fri	9:30am	7 hrs	Autumn Colours Mystery Drive	£12.00
30-Oct	Wed	9:00am	7 hrs	Eastbourne	£12.00
31-Oct	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
31-Oct	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
05-Nov	Tue	10:00am	6 hrs	Holmbush M&S and Tesco	£8.00
07-Nov	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
07-Nov	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
12-Nov	Tue	1:00pm	3-4 hrs	Hilliers Garden Centre, Horsham	£4.00
13-Nov	Wed	10:00am	6 hrs	Chichester Market Day	£8.00
14-Nov	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
14-Nov	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
19-Nov	Tue	9:00am	7 hrs	Milestones Museum, Basingstoke	£15 + entry
20-Nov	Wed	9:00am	7 hrs	South Downs Garden Centre, Ditchling for lunch / Christmas shopping	£10.00
21-Nov	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
21-Nov	Thu	2:30pm	2 hrs	Billingshurst Lidl	£2.00
22-Nov	Fri	1:00pm	3-4 hrs	Shoreham Airport for tea	£8.00
26-Nov	Tue	10:00am	5 hrs	Holmbush M&S and Tesco	£8.00
27-Nov	Wed	10:00am	TBA	Sinah Warren, Hayling Island for lunch and Pantomime	£42.00
28-Nov	Thu	9:00am	3-4 hrs	Horsham & Sainsburys	£4.00
28-Nov	Thu	1:30pm	3 hrs	Tesco Broadbridge Heath	£4.00
29-Nov	Fri	11:00am	5 hrs	Old Barn Garden Centre for lunch	£4.00

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