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## Changes to services from Sunday 22 May

**There are a number of changes to services taking place from Sunday 22 May 2016, mostly to improve reliability.**

We have based this on the information from the real time systems that are fitted on each bus. This has allowed us to reflect the time it takes to cope with traffic delays throughout the day. We've looked through the data from each route so that we can create timetables that will make our services more reliable for you.

There are also some changes being introduced to routes to ensure that services run where the majority of customers are travelling.

A summary of the changes is below.

## **SimpliCity 2/2A**

- Services will be revised to run every 15 minutes on Monday-Saturday daytimes. Combined with service 39 there will be a bus every 7/8 minutes between Chester Road, City Centre, Grangetown and Tunstall Village.
- On Sundays buses will run every 15 minutes between Silksworth and Sunderland, extending every 30 minutes to Washington.
- There will be an earlier Sunday morning journey from Washington into Sunderland to make it easier for you to travel at this time of day.
- The timetable will be revised to improve reliability, and to improve coordination with service 39 on common sections of route.
- In Sunderland City Centre, services towards Silksworth will now depart from Borough Road opposite Sunderland Winter Gardens, and will no longer serve Fawcett Street or Athenaeum Street.
- Following passenger requests, the service towards Washington will additionally serve Sunderland Interchange.
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## **Coast & Country 8/8A**

- Monday-Friday service 8A journey which departs Sunderland at 7.18am now terminates at Waterview Park.
- Monday-Friday service 8 journey departing Waterview Park at 4.37pm for Washington is cancelled.
- Monday-Friday service 8 journey departing Enterprise Park at 4.40pm is replaced by the revised service 36, departing Enterprise Park at 4.53pm.
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## **Service 9**

- Monday-Friday journeys departing Sunderland at 3.04pm and

- departing Boldon Asda at 3.34pm are withdrawn.  
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## Prince Bishops 20/20A

- [New bus info](#)
- New earlier Sunday morning journeys will be introduced, making it easier for you to travel into Durham and Sunderland City Centres on a Sunday.
- [View new Sunday journeys](#)

## Services 33/33A

- In January 2015 we introduced a connection between Silksworth and Doxford following requests. Unfortunately the number of customers travelling along this section is very low, so service 33 will be changed to run between Sunderland City Centre and Silksworth only.
- There will continue to be four buses per hour between Silksworth and Sunderland on service 33, and when combined with revised service 36 there will be a bus every 10 minutes from Silksworth to Sunderland.
- Service 33 will extend to Sunderland Docks every 30 minutes, providing new travel opportunities to this area of Sunderland with us.
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## See It Do It 35/35A/36

- Following customer requests to increase the frequency of the connection between The Herringtons and Silksworth, service 36 will run via Silksworth instead of Sunderland Royal Hospital.
- Service 36 will be revised in North Sunderland to provide a faster connection between Castletown and the City Centre, omitting Southwick Green, and will now terminate at Castletown, no longer serving Hylton Castle or Town End Farm.
- Service 36 will now terminate at Castletown, no longer serving

- Hylton Castle or Town End Farm.
- Journeys on service 35/35A from Heworth will omit Sunderland Road in Wardley, running direct along Felling Bypass. This is the only change to the route of service 35/35A.
- There will be some changes to the timetable of the service to improve reliability.
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## Service 38

- Following customer requests buses will be increased to every 30 minutes between The Herringtons and Silksworth, as service 36 will operate via Silksworth instead of Royal Hospital.
- As service 36 will provide the connection between The Herringtons and Silksworth, service 38 will run between Sunderland and Tunstall Bank Estate only.
- The frequency of service 38 will be revised to every 60 minutes, coordinating with service 238 to provide a bus every 30 minutes between Sunderland City Centre, Leechmere and Hollycarrside.
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## Service 39

- This service will continue to run up to every 15 minutes on Monday-Saturday daytimes, and combined with services 2/2A will run every 7/8 minutes between Chester Road, City Centre, Grangetown and Tunstall Village on Monday-Saturday daytimes.
- A small number of journeys will run as service 39A via Silksworth to maintain connections for commuters to Doxford International.
- In Sunderland City Centre, services towards Silksworth will now depart from Borough Road opposite Sunderland Winter Gardens, and will no longer serve Fawcett Street or Athenaeum Street.
- The service will no longer serve Sunderland Interchange towards Pennywell, offering a faster journey time from the City Centre towards Chester Road.
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## **Fab 56**

- There will be some changes to the times of Fab56 to improve reliability.
- New earlier Sunday morning journeys will be introduced, making it easier for you to travel to Newcastle and Sunderland City Centres at this time of day.
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## **Drifter 60**

- There will be some changes to the times of Drifter 60 to improve reliability.
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## **Service 61**

- There will be some changes to the times of service 61 to improve reliability.
- We are also pleased to say that evening journeys will additionally serve Dalton Park, making it easier for you to get home from the shops or a night out at the new restaurants and Cinema.
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## **Service 82/82A**

- We are pleased to announce that from 22 May 2016, we will be running evening journeys on service 82/83.
- The weekday journey at 2.10pm from Heworth to Follingsby Park will no longer run due to low passenger numbers.
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## **Service 99**

- Due to low customer use, service 99 will be withdrawn with the last day of operation on 21 May 2016.
- Many customers will be able to continue to make their journey on alternative services – for example, from Castletown to Sunderland Royal Hospital on service 35.
- Early morning journeys which operate as service 99A will continue to run, but will be renumbered 135/136.
- Nexus will replace part of service 99 between Hylton Castle, Castletown, Hylton Retail Park, Pallion and Sunderland Royal Hospital. The service will operate on an hourly basis between 9am and 2pm, Monday to Saturday. Please visit [nexus.org.uk](http://nexus.org.uk) for more information.
- For further details of the alternative options available for your journey, please contact our [customer services team](#).

## **indiGo 206**

- The journey which departs Peterlee at 3.20pm will now depart at 3.30pm and run ten minutes later throughout. There are no other changes to the timetable.
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## **Fast Cats X35**

- There will be some minor changes to the times of service X35 on an evening and Sunday to improve reliability.
- On Monday-Friday, the journey departing South Hetton at 7.39am towards Sunderland will no longer run.
- From 5 June X35 will stop additionally stop on Silksworth Road, near to Woodside Grove.
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## **Fast Cats X36**

- Service X36 will operate hourly between Sunderland and Newcastle, with a revised timetable to improve reliability.
- The service will omit Witherwack turning circle – it will continue

to serve stops in Witherwack on Wembley Road and Wiltshire Road.

- Service X36 will now depart from Stand S in Sunderland Interchange.
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