



33 is the magic number as new bus service restores missing links in Nottinghamshire

Nottingham Community Transport's trading arm, CT4N is excited to introduce a new bus service between Nottingham, West Bridgford and Cropwell Bishop, to start following the Spring Bank Holiday on Tuesday 28 May, 2019.

The new service - the 33 - will serve passengers at the following main locations below and replaces the current 822 service operated by Yourbus for Nottinghamshire County Council – due to be withdrawn on Saturday 25 May, 2019:

- Cropwell Bishop
- Cropwell Butler
- Cotgrave
- Tollerton
- Gamston (Morrisons)
- West Bridgford and Nottingham (Friar Lane)

In addition, journeys which operate only in the morning and evening, will be extended during the day to serve Langar and Sutton Cum Granby.

Welcoming the new 33 service, Ian Combella, General Manager of Nottingham Community Transport said: "It is extremely rewarding to be able to launch another new service. We've been listening to feedback about the existing 822 service and we know that passengers in outlying villages served miss the direct link to Nottingham throughout the day, so we're delighted to bring this valued connection back to communities in Nottinghamshire."

The 33 will also provide direct links between Nottingham City Centre and the Spire Hospital at Tollerton as well as the new housing estate on Hollygate Park at Cotgrave. "Service 33 has all the right ingredients to provide a real community bus service – not least core links for people going to school, college, work, shopping and leisure activities and one we hope that communities will use, enjoy and support. We would encourage as many people as possible to use the service, to ensure its long term viability."

The logo for CT4N features the letters 'CT' in a bold, grey sans-serif font, followed by a stylized '4' inside a blue and green circle, and the letter 'N' in the same bold, grey font. Below this, the words 'Press Release' are written in a smaller, grey sans-serif font.

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CT4N has already stepped in to protect other lifeline bus services which were due to be withdrawn. Ian added: "This service will be provided by a community transport operator for the local community and any profits will be reinvested into vital transport services for the elderly and disabled rather than shareholders."

A selection of single, return and weekly tickets will be available, as well as a monthly ticket which can be purchased through a mobile app. Further details about the fares will be released in the next few weeks.

Commenting on the news, Nottinghamshire County Council's, Group Manager for Highways & Transport, Gary Wood said: "The County Council welcomes the decision by CT4N to operate the new 33 bus service from the Vale of Belvoir to Nottingham. This replaces much of the current 822 route which is funded by the Council. A new 833 service for the other villages on the current route, offering connections with the local services and to West Bridgford and Nottingham, will also be introduced. We hope the new services will encourage more passengers to use the service to help reduce congestion and air pollution in the area."

CT4N will also be accepting tickets from the county council's service 833. Further details, including route and timetable information, can be found at www.ct4n.co.uk.

Timetable for the new 33 service can be found here <https://bit.ly/2Fyvucy>