

# **GUIDE TO LOCAL BUS SERVICES FOR PRESTEIGNE & NORTON AREA - ISSUE 1**

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## **DIRECT BUS SERVICES**

Monday to Friday - there are direct bus services from Presteigne Recycling Centre serving Knighton, Kington and Llandrindod

On a Monday only there is a direct bus service to Ludlow.

On Saturday, there are direct bus services to Knighton and Kington only.

There are no Sunday services nor any services on Bank Holidays.

Sergeants Bros of Kington ([www.sargeantsbros.com](http://www.sargeantsbros.com)) (01544 230481) operate the 41 service between Kington-Presteigne-Norton-Knighton, the 463 service between Presteigne and Llandrindod, and the 461 & 462 services Kington-Hereford and Kington-Llandrindod.

Browns of Builth (01982 552597) operate the X11 service between Presteigne-Ludlow.

## **CONNECTING BUS SERVICES**

All services from Presteigne to Kington connect with services to Hereford and Llandrindod Wells, these connecting services are "guaranteed".

The Monday to Friday direct service from Presteigne to Llandrindod Wells connects with services to Aberystwyth<sup>^</sup> / Rhayader\* / Newtown\* / Builth Wells\* / Brecon\* / Merthyr Tydfil\* / Cardiff<sup>^</sup>.

Additionally on a Tuesday and Thursday there is a connection to Talgarth\* / Crickhowell\* / Abergavenny\*: on a Wednesday to Hay on Wye\*: and on a Friday to Llandovery\* / Llandeilo\* / Carmarthen\*.

*\* all these destinations have a return service to Presteigne on the same day, allowing a minimum of 2hours 30minutes at each destination.*

*<sup>^</sup> these destinations have return services to Presteigne but do not allow return on the same day as the outward journey.*

## **PICK-UP POINTS**

There are official bus stops, often with up to date timetables, at the following points:

Norton - Millbank

Presteigne - Recycling Centre, Banks/Police Station, Beddoes View, Clatterbrune

Services additionally pick up, and set down, along the length of their route, and there are regular pick-up points in Norton (at the Church and entrance to Norton Manor) and in Presteigne (at Warden Close and Kings Court).

BUT.....experience suggests that not all drivers have the same understanding of the route through Presteigne, and the additional Sargents services on school days do not call at all points in Presteigne.

**If you're not absolutely sure, it's best to use the official bus stop at the Recycling Centre !**

## **TIMETABLES**

The base timetable applies during school holidays, there are additional services during school term time dates.

See timetables at the official bus stops.

On-line timetables are available through Traveline Cymru at [www.traveline.cymru](http://www.traveline.cymru)

## **BUS PASSES**

A Welsh Concessionary Bus Pass is available to all those who are resident in Wales and aged 60+, Presteigne residents need to visit The Gwalia in Llandrindod to obtain a pass.

The Concessionary Bus Pass is valid on all bus services in Wales plus services which start in Wales and continue into England / service which start in England and continue into Wales. A pass is valid Presteigne to Hereford return and Presteigne to Ludlow return also on all services Presteigne to Llandrindod return.

From 1st October to 31st March a Concessionary Bus Pass is additionally valid on the Heart of Wales railway line on all services between Shrewsbury and Swansea.

On-line Timetables are available via Traveline Cymru or via [nationalrail.co.uk](http://nationalrail.co.uk) .