

Teams Meeting held on 11th November to discuss
revising Barnoldswick Town Bus Service

Present

Councillor David Whipp
Alan & Vicky Pilkington
Ashley Weir

Pendle Borough Council
Pilkington Bus
Principal Transport Officer- Bus Services &
Development, Lancashire County Council

Discussion

It was reported that Pilkington Bus had carried out a trial visit to Dales View Park and that the bus had grounded at the junction with Higher Lane.

The meeting considered several options put forward by residents at Dales View:

- Using a shorter bus - Alan said the 7.2m bus used was the shortest in their fleet;
- Change the alignment of the carriageway - Ashley said LCC wouldn't consider this cost effective;
- Route the bus down Moor Lane and through Salterforth - Ashley said the geometry of the junction of Moor Lane with High Lane wouldn't allow use by buses;
- Using alternative locations to turn buses - none were considered viable.

Ashley Weir suggested that LCC's Community Transport might be able to help, <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/public-transport/community-transport-services/>

The meeting considered whether there were other improvements that could be made to Barnoldswick's town bus service. It is suggested that a survey be carried out to see if residents have any suggestions.

Following the issue of a PCN when a bus was stopped on the bus clearway on Station Road, Ashley Weir reported that he has asked that a section of the clearway be designated as a bus stand to avoid future problems.

The condition of the road surface on Station Road which is used by buses was discussed. The meeting agreed that this should be improved to make it more suitable for use by buses.

Councillor D. Whipp said that he would report the outcome back to West Craven Committee on 3rd December and the Committee would consider supporting a survey being carried out.