



# TRANSPORT LEAFLET

## Issue 2a

This leaflet contains information about getting from Gosport and Lee-on-the-Solent to local hospitals by public transport. With the recognition that the level of public transport may be limited it also contains information about alternatives transport available in the borough.

Inclusion in the leaflet does not imply endorsement, simply that the information was provided freely.

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## Gosport Older Persons Forum Transport Leaflet: Updated bus times: April 2017

### Getting to Gosport War Memorial Hospital, Queen Alexandra Hospital Cosham and St Mary's Hospital Portsmouth, Fareham Community Hospital, and Southampton General and Royal South Hants Hospitals from Gosport

#### Getting to QA Hospital

#### **Buses from Portsmouth**

Take the ferry to Portsmouth where buses go direct from the Hard to QA Hospital, opposite the main entrance. Fastest journey approximately 25-30 minutes.

**NOTE: The X9 service no longer runs.**

Number	Times	Cost
		Free to bus pass holders after 09.30am otherwise £4.00 return + ferry fare (senior price from 9am). A bus plus ferry combined day ticket is £8.00.
<b>3</b>	Every 10 minutes (Sundays every 20 minutes). (First Bus) Takes 35 minutes.	If you have a bus pass but have to travel before 09.30 buy a single ticket (£2.50) and use the bus pass for the return.
<b>20</b> (Mon-Sat only)	Every ½ hour. 15 & 45 minutes past every hour. Then 1720 and every 40 minutes until 1920. (Stagecoach). Takes 25-30 minutes	
<b>Return buses</b> to the Hard from the stop outside the Hospital Main Entrance run every 10 or 15 minutes. Last buses 1905 (20), after 10p.m (3). If you buy a return ticket, ensure you return using a bus from the same company.		

#### **Buses from Fareham**

Take any bus from Gosport that goes to Fareham bus station, this includes the Eclipse Rapid Transit service which is less likely to be delayed at busy times. From Lee take the First Bus X5 (half-hourly, takes 25 minutes. £3.00 single) to Fareham (Last return from Fareham to Lee 2031 Mon-Sat and 1853 Sun). From there the No 3 bus goes direct to QA Hospital, taking 35 minutes.

Number	Times	Cost
<b>3</b> <b>Mon-Fri</b>	Every 15 minutes from 0545 until 0708, then every 10 mins or so until 1650; then every 15 minutes until 1835, then every 30 minutes till 2230	Those with a bus pass can use it from 0930 otherwise a day ticket (cost £6.00) is better to cover the whole journey. If you have a bus pass but have to travel before 9.30am buy a single ticket (£3.90 from Fareham to QA: Up to £3 from Gosport to Fareham and £3.00 from Lee) and use the bus pass to travel home.
<b>3</b> <b>Weekends</b>	Similar to above on Saturdays. On Sundays approximately every 20 minutes till 1630, then half-hourly till 1900 and hourly until 2200.	
<b>Return buses.</b> A comparable frequency of service until 11 p.m. Please check return times on the bus or pick up a timetable at Gosport Tourist Information Centre or Fareham bus station.		

**St Mary 's Hospital Portsmouth** Bus No 2 goes from The Hard every 10 minutes (evening 30 minutes).

**Gosport War Memorial Hospital** Buses E2, X5 and 9/9A go there and E1 calls nearby in Gordon Road.

## Getting to QA by car

**Via M27** (there are other routes using the A27 and Portsdown Hill Road)

- Leave Gosport via A32 or take the most convenient route from Lee to Fareham, follow M27 for Portsmouth and use exit 12 (Cosham).
- At the traffic lights, follow Southampton Road straight ahead towards Cosham. Turn left at the second set of traffic lights.
- At the traffic lights take the exit road left into Sevenoaks Road and bear right into the hospital main entrance.
- Multi-storey car park is on the left. The north car park is clearly signposted.

### QA Car parking charges

No. of hours	Charge from April 2016
1.5	£1.80
2.5	£3.00
3.5	£4.30
4.5	£5.30
6	£7.60
8	£9.90
Up to 12	£11.50
Over 12	£16.60

The rates shown are current at the time of issue.

**Cars can park up to 15 minutes free** in the drop off area. After this they must move to a car park where fees apply. Most outpatient departments, but not Cardiology, Maternity and Paediatrics, can be accessed via the North Entrance and therefore the North Car Park is the most convenient place to park

#### Reduced parking fees

There are about **100 disabled parking spaces** at QA at various locations. Vehicles showing a disabled badge have to pay only £1.80 per day. In the multi-storey car park take ticket and badge to reception for authorisation (leave clock in car). In pay and display parking bays pay for 1.5 hour and leave ticket with badge in car. Patients and visitors can receive a reduced parking rate if they are

attending or visiting relatives for a time e.g. those who stay more than seven days or have treatment requiring seven or more visits. In such cases you can receive a discount and pay £1.80 per day. This is at the discretion of the ward sister or nurse in charge.

**Wheelchair Loan** For those who require them, wheelchairs are available at various locations around the hospital including main and north entrances and in the multi-story car park. The £1 charge can be reclaimed when the chair is returned.

## Getting to Fareham Community Hospital

Take a bus to Fareham bus station or Fareham rail station. The X4 to Southampton (First Bus) passes approximately 500 metres (1/3 mile) from the Hospital. Buses run half-hourly from Fareham (depart 23 and 53 minutes past the hour from the bus station and 2-3 minutes later from the rail station.). The journey takes half an hour. You should alight at the Sparshott roundabout in Park Gate at the top of Brook Lane. Walk down Brook Lane for about ¼ mile and turn right into the hospital approach road. Return buses leave Park Gate at approx. 25 and 55 minutes past the hour. (Last return from Park Gate 2026; Saturday 2014; Sunday 1944)

## Getting to Southampton General Hospital (SGH) and Royal South Hants (RSH)

**By bus** Take a bus to Fareham bus station or rail station. The X4 and X5 buses go from Fareham to Southampton every ¼ of an hour. They leave at 08, 23, 38 and 53 minutes past the hour from the bus station and 2-3 minutes later from the rail station. The journey time is 1 hour. (Last buses *from* Southampton are at 2030 (X5); Saturday 2020 (X5); and Sunday 1915 (X4))

From West Quay take the City Red No 3 (destination Lords Hill: travel time 30 minutes), Bluestar 17 (destination Lower Brownhill via Shirley: travel time 30 minutes) or U6H (destination SGH) from West Quay to SGH. The U6H goes via RSH (travel time 7 minutes) and takes 40 minutes to SGH. The No 7 also goes to RSH. This runs every 7 minutes in the daytime ( 8 minutes Saturdays: 15 minutes Sundays) down to 20 minutes in the evening.

Frequencies (interval)		City Red 3	Bluestar 17	U6H
Monday-Friday	daytime	7-8 minutes	10 minutes	20 minutes
	evening	20 minutes	30 minutes	60 minutes
Saturday	daytime	8-10 minutes	10 minutes	20 minutes
	evening	20 minutes	30 minutes	60 minutes
Sunday	daytime	15 minutes	20 minutes	60 minutes
	evening	25 minutes then hourly	60 minutes	all day

**By train** Alternatively, you may go by train from Fareham to Southampton Central. There should be four trains an hour in the daytime (but check as Southern services have been subject to repeated disruption and cancellation). The journey time varies from 21 to 35 minutes. The trains leave at approximately (times vary by the odd minute) 03, 38, 47 and 54 past the hour. Returning trains leave Southampton Central at 05, 16, 32 and 44 past the hour in the day.

Cost for a day return varies between £6.20 and £7.60 (some are subject to restrictions and depend on which company you travel with (Southern, South West Trains or First Great Western)). Please check the rail timetables for exact times when you want to travel.

### **SGH and RSH from Southampton Central station**

From Southampton Central train station catch the City Red No 3 or Blue Star No 17 bus to Shirley Warren /SGH (ask for directions to the stops at the station). Frequencies are shown above. The buses call at the station 8 minutes after leaving West Quay.

For RSH you will need to go into central Southampton and change buses. For No 7 and U6 frequencies see above.

## Other transport providers: The following information has been provided by commercial and voluntary organisations

NAME	CONTACT	COST	FRAMED WALKER	MEDIC APPT	HOS-PITAL	ADDITIONAL INFO
<p><b>Note:</b> From April 6<sup>th</sup> 2017, taxi and private hire vehicle drivers will be obliged by law to transport wheelchair users in their wheelchair, provide passengers in wheelchairs with appropriate assistance, and charge wheelchair users the same as non-wheelchair users. This applies to those vehicles that are designated as wheelchair accessible. Drivers unable to provide assistance for medical reasons will be able to apply to their licensing authority for an exemption from the new requirements.</p>						
DC LEE TAXIS	02392 554707 07933 407914	ON APPLICATION	YES	YES	YES	
DRIVING MISS DAISY	03330 146211  07525872935	CALCULATED BY TIME COMPANION-SHIP CALCULATED BY 15 MINS	YES	YES	YES	ASSISTANCE GIVEN FOR SOCIAL OUT-INGS AND TO MATCH WITH OTHERS TO ALLOW COSTS TO BE SPLIT
BRIDGE CARS LIMITED		SET PRICE PER JOURNEY	YES	YES	YES	
STREAMLINE TAXIS		PRICE PER MILE METERED	YES	YES	YES	

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DIAL A RIDE	01329 223151 (08.30- 12.00 13.00- 16.00)	SET PRICE PER JOURNEY £3 return with bus pass	YES. ALSO WHEEL CHAIR AND MO- TORISED SCOOTER	NO	NO	JOURNEYS WITHIN BOROUGH AND SURROUNDING AR- EAS. MEMBER SHIP REQUIRED FREE TO JOIN.
DRIVING FORCE	07722743217 (9.00AM -4.00PM)	SET PRICE PER JOURNEY 45PPER- MILE + CAR PARKING NOT HOSPITALS	YES	YES. DRIVER WILL AL- WAYS WAIT	YES	WILL CATER FOR SHOPPING TRIPS, CHURCH SERVICES ETC.
ICANGO	07787292666	COST PER MILE CAR PARKING ADDED	YES, ALSO WHEEL CHAIR AND MO- TORISED SCOOTER	NO	NO	MINI BUSES TO PROVIDE TRANS- PORT FOR SOCIAL GROUP EVENTS.

## CEMAST BUS

To further their commitment to the community the *Centre of Excellence in Engineering Manufacturing and Advanced Skills Training* (CEMAST) have generously said that those with a concessionary bus pass may use their service FC7 to get around Gosport. Clearly priority must be given to students travelling to or from the college campus

CEMAST College	10:15	12:15	14:15	16:15
Rowner Road	10:21	12:21	14:21	16:21
Fort Brockhurst	10:25	12:25	14:25	16:25
St Vincents College	10:35	12:35	14:35	16:35
Gosport Bus Station	10:40	12:40	14:40	16:40
Gosport Bus Station	10:45	12:45	14:45	
St Vincents College	10:50	12:50	14:50	
Fort Brockhurst	11:00	13:00	15:00	
Rowner Road	11:06	13:06	15:06	
CEMAST	11:10	13:10	15:10	

**ASDA Free Bus (Mon –Fri except Bank Holidays)**

Fareham bus station	09:00	10:00	11:00	12:00
ASDA Fareham	09:10	10:10	11:10	12:10
ASDA Fareham	09:12	10:12	11:12	13:12 ****
Peel common	09:15	10:15	11:15	13:15
Stubbington village	09:20	10:20	11:20	13:20
Lee High Street	09:27	10:27	11:27	13:27
Fell Drive	09:30	10:30	11:30	13:30
Howe Road	09:38	10:38	11:38	13:38
Rowallan Avenue	09:42	10:42	11:42	13:42
Peel Common	09:45	10:45	11:45	13:45
ASDA Fareham	09:48	10:48	11:48	13:48
ASDA Fareham	09:50	10:50	11:50	13:50
Fareham bus station	10:00	11:00	12:00	14:00

## **Other general issues concerning travelling to hospital**

### **Non-emergency transport service for patients booked through your health professional**

This scheme is designed for non-urgent planned transportation of patients with a medical need for transport. It will undertake journeys for planned outpatient appointments, discharge from hospital, renal services and planned hospital admissions. The service is booked by your health professional.

### **Refunding of travel costs**

If a cancer patient is in receipt of selected benefits travel costs may be refundable. For more information, contact Macmillan on 08088 080000.

### **Mobility scooters on First Bus**

First Bus have given us the following statement about Mobility Scooters on their buses

It is correct that only some mobility scooters are permitted on our vehicles. The reason for this is that we need to ensure that the combined weight of the scooter and the individual using it does not exceed the maximum weight limit of the vehicle ramp, which ensures the customer can board and alight safely. We also need to ensure that the scooter can safely be manoeuvred into the wheelchair space and does not encroach into the aisle of the bus so that in the event of an emergency, customers exiting the vehicle are not impeded in any way.

In terms of the assessments, these take place at our local depots in Fareham or Portsmouth where we can define the weight and if within limit, let the customer see if we can fit the scooter into the space as described above. (**GOPF: Note** that the assessment and scooter registration is compulsory). If confirmed that the scooter meets the criteria, then a letter will be issued to the customer which they then show to the driver so that he/she knows that the scooter is safe to board the vehicle. If a customer has more than one scooter they use, then each will have to be assessed individually and have its own permit to travel letter.

Customers who wish to have this assessment done need to contact our customer services team who will pass their details to our assessor who will make contact to arrange the assessment. Their contact details are:

Tel: 02380 714 800

Email: [contacthampshire@firstgroup.com](mailto:contacthampshire@firstgroup.com)

First bus time tables and routes can be found on their website [www.firstgroup.com/portsmouth-fareham-gosport](http://www.firstgroup.com/portsmouth-fareham-gosport)

## Useful contact details

[www.hants.gov.uk/passengertransport](http://www.hants.gov.uk/passengertransport)

will lead you to pages on public transport, community transport, rural transport and details about concessionary travel.

[www.gosport-voluntary-action.org.uk](http://www.gosport-voluntary-action.org.uk)

will take you to Gosport Voluntary Action website where there is a tab for transport.

[www.myjourneyhampshire.com](http://www.myjourneyhampshire.com)

has a great deal of information about all travel around the county.

[www.traveline.info](http://www.traveline.info) 08712002233

Is a partnership of transport companies, local authorities and passenger groups which have come together to bring you routes and times for all travel in Great Britain by bus, rail, coach and ferry.