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COMMUNITY SHAPES NEW BUS NETWORK FOR GISBORNE

The Allan Labor Government is rolling out a new and improved bus network for Gisborne locals, delivering greater access to more services and better public transport connections.

Minister for Public and Active Transport Gabrielle Williams today announced the new Gisborne bus network will introduce a fixed-two-way loop service and a pre booked service direct from Bullengarook to Gisborne Station.

The updated bus network will begin on Sunday, 15 December, with Route 473 Gisborne to Gisborne Station, and the section of Route 474 between Gisborne Town Centre and Gisborne Station set to benefit from the two-way loop – giving flexibility to travel around town in either direction without booking.

The loop service will deliver more coverage across more sections of the new estates, while also providing connections to Gisborne schools and trips during school times.

The Bullengarook to Gisborne Town Centre section of the current Route 474 – including Mulgutherie Way – will become a new on-demand, Route 77 Bullengarook to Gisborne Station service that will only operate when pre-booked.

Route 77 has also been extended to run express from the town centre to Gisborne Station, providing a single-seat journey to the station for Bullengarook residents.

The introduction of the new bus networks follows extensive community consultation – with local feedback proposing the loop to be extended past the station to pick up and drop students off at Holy Cross Primary School – better linking students and parents to the rest of Gisborne.

Improving Gisborne’s bus network is part of Victoria’s Bus Plan to meet demand, enhance accessibility and performance, and deliver value for money for all passengers.

Information on the new services is available at ptv.vic.gov.au, the journey planner app or by calling 1800 800 007.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Public and Active Transport Gabrielle Williams

“We are rolling out a new and improved bus network across Gisborne – better connecting communities to jobs, schools and public transport.”

“Since 2021, our Bus Plan has redesigned and strengthened 83 local bus networks, while adding thousands more services.”

Quote attributable to Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas

“Local voices have helped us shape the new bus network ensuring it delivers the public transport options the Gisborne community wants and needs, that connects them with the parts of town where they want to go.”