



*Travel Connections*



Lottery money where it's needed most

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| <b>What is Travel Connections?</b>  | <b>How do I use it?</b>   |
| Stepping Stones for Families is a national voluntary organisation which has been connecting with families and young people in Scotland for over 15 years. Our work today provides support, opportunity and a voice for families and young people affected by disadvantage. They deliver Travel Connections.   | Travel will be by private hire firms or volunteer drivers, either to the service you want to use or to a place where you can get a train or bus. All journeys MUST be authorised and booked by Travel Connections staff.  |
| Travel Connections aims to support people within the Carrick Area to make positive changes in their lives through accessing employment, training, health or welfare services and community activities by providing transport where private or public transport is unavailable or inaccessible.  | You can buy Travel Connections tickets from your local 'Village or Community Champions' – more details when you register. Bookings should be made Monday to Friday at least two working hours in advance of the time you need to travel.  |
| Stepping Stones for Families accepts NO liability for any loss or damage occurring through the use of the subsidised travel scheme. If any problem should arise passengers should contact the Taxi firm or Volunteer driver providing the transport.  | You will need a Travel Connections ID card which requires a recent photograph of yourself. This can be created for you by the Travel Connections staff upon registration with the Project.  |
| <b>You can use it if:</b>   | <b>Cost to you:</b>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– You live in the Carrick area and</li> <li>– You want to use a service within the area covered by the funding and</li> <li>– You don't have access to a car for the journey you want to make and</li> <li>– No public transport (including the Carrick Connector) is available within half an hour of the time you need to travel.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– £3.60 per journey for an adult (16+ if left school)</li> <li>– £1.80 per journey for a school pupil</li> </ul> <p>Pre-school children travel free of charge</p> <p>There are no other concessionary fares</p> <p>If you use public transport for part of your journey you will pay for that too.</p> |
| <b>CONDITIONS OF SERVICE</b>  |   |
| Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Seatbelts MUST be worn in accordance with current legislation. It is the responsibility of parents/ carers to ensure that all children under the age of 12 travel in the rear seats of the taxi and also to ensure that appropriate safety restraints are used. This project serves Carrick incorporating the Maybole Fair Share Area and the Girvan Rural Community Transport Initiative projects. It is managed by Stepping Stones for Families. The Travel Connections Project is located within Carrick Buildings Learning Centre, Henrietta Street, Girvan, KA26 9AL Tel: 01465 716619/ 6633 tc@ssff.org.uk |   |

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journeys



Timetable

**700**

**Carrick Ring'n'Ride**



ring'n'ride



**Book your journey on**

**0845 123 5656**

All information available from SPT travel centres at St Enoch Subway, Buchanan bus station, East Kilbride, Glasgow Airport, Greenock and Hamilton.

Or call Traveline on



Lines are open 24 hours - 7 days a week

**Operator contact details:**

Western Buses

Sandgate

Ayr

KA7 1DD

Tel: 01292 613700

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**Director, Bus Operations,  
Strathclyde Partnership for Transport,  
Consort House,  
12 West George Street,  
Glasgow, G2 1HN  
Tel No. 0845 271 2405  
or e-mail to bus@spt.co.uk.**

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**Important changes in this issue**  
Timetable Reprint.

**From 19 July 2009**

Whilst every effort will be made to adhere to the scheduled times, the Partnership disclaims any liability in respect of loss or inconvenience arising from any failure to operate journeys as published, changes in timing or any printing errors.

For more information visit [www.spt.co.uk](http://www.spt.co.uk) or any SPT travel centre.



**What is the Carrick Ring'n'Ride?**

- It is a 'Ring'n'Ride' on-demand bus service that picks you up from as near to your door as possible and takes you where you want to go, when you want to go.
- **It does not make trips where there are alternative direct public transport services unless you qualify for Dial-a-Bus. For more information on Dial-a-Bus call 0845 128 4025.**
- It is designed to serve people and communities in Girvan and the rural areas around, who do not currently have a local bus service or have poor public transport links to amenities.
- The service provides direct links between any points in the rural area shown on the map overleaf, where no direct link currently exists.
- The bus operates Mondays to Saturdays between the hours of 0700 and 1900.

**Who can use it?**

- Ring'n'Ride is available to everyone who wants to travel within the marked area on the map. Since the service is operated using a Low Floor, wheelchair accessible bus, it is suitable for all members of the community including people registered for use of the Dial-a-Bus Service or those with mobility difficulties.
- Like conventional bus services, Ring'n'Ride is for individual passengers, but group bookings are also welcome.

**Fares**

- Normal bus service fares apply. Please check your fare at time of booking.

**Journey Times**

- Every effort will be made to offer you your requested journey times.
- Often however, if a number of passengers are going to the same destination we will offer you these times.
- We may require to change your booking times but will advise you if these changes exceed 10 minutes.
- Other passengers are often picked up en route to your destination. Please allow time for this when booking your journey.
- Please try to be flexible with your journey times.

**How do I use it?**

- Booking is easy. All it takes is a simple call to the booking line on **0845 123 56 56** to register for the service. Journeys can even be booked by text message!
- Bookings can be made up to 2 hours before travelling, but we recommend you book the day before.
- The booking line is open Monday to Friday, 0900 - 1600, so Saturday and Monday journeys should be booked on Fridays.
- Scottish Citizens National Entitlement Cards and Daytripper tickets are valid on the service.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL 0845 128 4024  
FOR BOOKINGS OR REGISTRATION CALL 0845 123 5656**

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