

# A Kent County Council Rural Transport Initiative

## **Sandwich Connect**

## **Timetable**

Staple - Ash - Woodnesborough - Sandwich -  
Northbourne - Mongeham  
Mongeham - Northbourne - Sandwich -  
Woodnesborough - Ash - Staple

**Mondays to Fridays**

# SANDWICH



Valid from October 2021

**Britannia**  
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### Background

During 2018, Kent County Council conducted a Countywide consultation process regarding the future of rural transport in Kent. The 'Big Conversation' was conducted to help us understand how we get better value out of the subsidy that we use to provide bus services and understand if our residents and bus users were open to using different forms of transport.

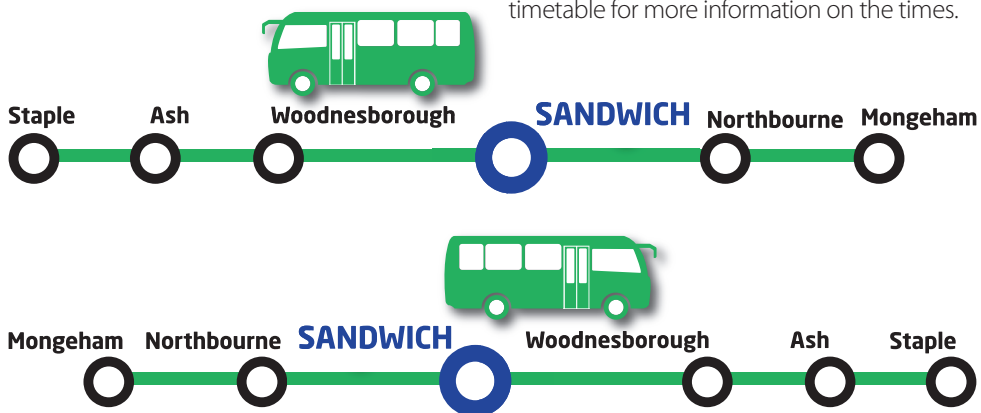
As part of this process, Kent County Council allocated funding to provide a series of year-long Pilot routes. In the summer of 2019, we launched 6 new routes in Dover, Maidstone, West Malling, Sevenoaks and Tenterden. We hope that the new routes prove popular and are sustainable and if they are we can look to use them as the basis on which to provide rural transport in the future. In early 2020, the Council was successful in securing Supported Bus Services funding from central government which is being used to continue our Pilot Schemes for at least one more year. Social distancing measures will be observed on the vehicle along with the wearing of masks for anyone without a valid exemption.

### What is the Sandwich Connect?

The Sandwich Connect is a new Kent County Council Rural Transport Initiative. Kent makes significant use of taxis and other school transport providers, as part of its network of home to school transport, but there is an opportunity to make greater use of these operators in between the morning and afternoon school runs. Like a normal bus service, the Sandwich Connect will charge individual fares along the line of route as well as accept ENCTS passes. The Sandwich Connect Bus will serve all marked bus stops along the line of route at the request of passengers, as well as offering a 'hail and ride' service in more rural areas. This service launched on 10th June 2019 and is operated by Britannia.

### Where will the Sandwich Connect operate?

The Sandwich Connect will operate in Staple, Gilton, Northbourne and Mongeham, providing these rural communities with a link to Sandwich. The bus will operate between the hours of 0939-1603 Monday to Friday only, with the exception of Bank Holidays when there will be no service. Please see the enclosed timetable for more information on the times.



## Sandwich Connect

Staple - Ash - Woodnesborough - Sandwich - Northbourne - Mongeham				Sandwich Connect	
Mondays to Fridays					
Staple, Three Tuns		0939	1109	1309	1439
Staple, The Street		0940	1110	1310	1440
Staple, Durlock Nursery		0943	1113	1313	1443
Guilton Corner		0945	1115	1315	1445
Ash, The Chequer Inn		0946	1116	1316	1445
Ash, Mill Field		0949	1119	1319	1448
Woodnesborough, Oak Hill		0953	1123	1323	1451
Sandwich, The Guildhall	Arr:	0959	1129	1329	1457
	Dep:	1002	1132	1332	1500
Northbourne, Updown Lane		1009	1139	1339	1507
Northbourne, Crossroads		1012	1142	1342	1510
Mongeham, Church Close		1016	1146	1346	1514
Mongeham, Church		1017	1147	1347	1515
Mongeham, Village Hall		1018	1148	1348	1516
St Nicholas Close Bus Shelter	Arr:	1020	1150	1350	1518
	Dep:	1022	1152	1352	1522

Mongeham - Northbourne - Sandwich - Woodnesborough - Ash - Staple					Sandwich Connect
Mondays to Fridays					
Mongeham, Village Hall		1024	1154	1354	1524
Mongeham, Church		1025	1155	1355	1525
Mongeham, Church Close		1026	1156	1356	1526
Northbourne, Crossroads		1030	1200	1400	1530
Northbourne, Updown Lane		1033	1203	1403	1533
Sandwich, The Guildhall	Arr:	1040	1210	1410	1540
	Dep:	1043	1243	1413	1543
Woodnesborough, Oak Hill		1049	1249	1419	1549
Ash, Mill Field		1053	1252	1423	1553
Ash, The Chequer Inn		1056	1256	1426	1556
Guilton Corner		1057	1257	1427	1557
Staple, Durlock Nursery		1059	1259	1429	1559
Staple, The Street		1102	1302	1432	1602
Staple, Three Tuns		1103	1303	1433	1603

## Fares

Fares for the Sandwich Connect are £3.00 single, £5.00 return, child fare £1.00 per journey. We encourage ENCTS passholders to pay a voluntary contribution of £1.00 per journey to help with the sustainability of the pilot, however ENCTS passes will be accepted in the usual way.

# The Sandwich Connect

is being provided in partnership by  
Kent County Council and Britannia

For information on the service  
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