



Local People Helping Local People



For your due

Castle Point Social Car

Scheme Regular Transport Trips

Door to Door Service Tel: 01268 201666 Option: 2

Over 60 years, Live in Castle Point area,

If you would like to take a friend who's not a member of the Car Scheme, they can join using the Associate Minibus Trip Membership. £5.00 per year as from July 2022. Please ask at the office for details.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE A WALKER, SHOPPING TROLLEY OR BAG ON WHEELS.

PLEASE BE AWARE WE CAN NO LONGER ACCOMMODATE ANYMORE THAN 2 SQUARED SHOPPING TROLLEYS AT ONE TIME. WE HAVE LIMITED SPACE ON THE BUS.

March 2024

28th March – Thursday

Maldon Promenade Park, Maldon

On the River Blackwater, stroll along the water's edge or around the lovely park grounds. Visit the local pubs for a bite to eat.

You can also take a very short walk into the town Centre, or the driver can drop you off in the town to do some shopping.

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £14.00

Limited spaces

April 2024

2nd April – Tuesday

Olivers Nurseries, Maldon Rd, Witham, Essex CM8

Lovely garden centre with indoor and outdoor plants, shop and a lovely Café called "The Strawberry Tea Room serving Breakfasts, hot lunches as well as sandwiches. The tearoom has pleasant views over the pick your own field. If you have a party of 6 or more, booking is required. Please call 01375618167.

Arrive: 11.00am-leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

Limited spaces

3rd April – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping

Pop to the High Street for a lovely time browsing the shops and both the outdoor market and indoor markets (Rayleigh Lanes). Enjoy a lovely lunch at one of the many restaurants on the high street.

Arrive: 11.00am-leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

Limited spaces

4th April – Thursday

Tiptree Jam Museum Tea Rooms and Perrywood Garden Centre, Tiptree - FULL

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £16.50

5th April - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping

Enjoy walking around all the different shops and restaurants. Visit both the indoor and outdoor markets. Most banks are easily accessible in the high street.

Arrive: 11.00-leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

8th April – Monday

Paper Mill Lock and Old Stable Tea Room, Little Baddow, Chelmsford

Papermill lock is a popular and beautiful tourist location in mid Essex, it is an ideal place for a day in the countryside. Visit the tea rooms where you can refresh yourself with tea, coffee, lunch, and homemade cake. Enjoy sitting along the side of the River Chelmer and Blackwater.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

Limited spaces

10th April – Wednesday

White Elm Garden Centre & Tea Room, Bicknacre, Nr. Maldon - FULL

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

11th April -Thursday

Freeport, Braintree Shopping Centre – FULL OR

Cherry Lane Garden Centre, Coggeshall then onto Braintree Garden Centre, Cressing, Braintree

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £16.50

15th April – Monday

Towngate – Neil Sounds – FULL

16th April- Tuesday

Battlesbridge Antiques Centre and the Barge Inn Pub - FULL

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

17th April – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping

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Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

18th April -Thursday

Morley Nurseries, Great Wakering or Southend Shopping

Morley Nurseries is family run, they grow a very wide range of shrubs and seasonal bedding plants on site and now carry a range of water features. There is also a thriving Aquatic and Pet Care centre and wild bird food.

The onsite tearoom is open daily for your convenience, serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas, homemade soups, and cakes. The minibus will also drop you off by The Royals Shopping Centre, so you can go shopping in the town centre.

Arrive: 10.45am Morley Garden Centre then onto Southend for 11.00am

Return: 14.00pm Morley Garden Centre then 14.15pm Southend

Minibus Cost: £11.00 Morley Gardens

Minibus Cost: £10.50 Southend

22nd April – Monday

Poplar Nurseries, Marks Tey near Colchester

Wide range of indoor and outdoor plants, garden care accessories, garden furniture and lighting, lawn care, bird food plus a gift shop, adjacent to the garden centre is the farm shop with seasonal produce from local farmers and producers of

food. Variety of local growers, artisan delicacies and deli offerings, along with fresh fish from Wivenhoe trawlers and Billingsgate Fish Market.

Enjoy a meal in the beautiful restaurant serving home-cooked specials.

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £16.50

Limited spaces



23rd April - Tuesday

Thurrock Garden Centre, South Ockendon - FULL

Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.00

26th April - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping

Enjoy walking around all the different shops and restaurants. Visit both the indoor and outdoor markets. Most banks are easily accessible in the high street.

Chelmsford Cathedral Lunch time concert Selion Swing Band begins 12.00 noon.

Free admission, teas & coffees from 11.30am.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

30th April – Tuesday

Meadow Croft Garden Centre, Wickford

Quality plants which are grown in their own glasshouses on-site.

They aim to cater for the novice gardener through to the more experienced gardener, with a wide range of plants available.

The gift shop offers clothing, homeware, toys, cards and gardening equipment.

All of their meals are home-made on the premises and cooked to order, using the best local ingredients. They also offer a range of gluten-free and vegan meals and if you can't find anything that tickles your fancy from our menu – they will happily make you something else.

Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

May 2024

1st May – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping

Pop to the High Street for a lovely time browsing the shops and both the outdoor market and indoor markets (Rayleigh Lanes). Enjoy a lovely lunch at one of the many restaurants on the high street.

Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

2nd May – Thursday

Ruxley Manor Garden Centre, Orpington, Kent

A well-stocked garden centre with indoor & outdoor plants, garden care and pet area. Various outlets including cookware, clothing, health & beauty and fragrances, home accessories and toys & games are all available.

The food hall includes Butcher of Brogdale, deli, frozen food range and all your favourites from a well-stocked pantry, jams & breads which are all daily baked.

Enjoy a lovely meal in the restaurant or just sit and have a well-earned cup of tea or coffee.

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £15.50

3rd May - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping

Enjoy walking around all the different shops and restaurants. Visit both the indoor and outdoor markets. Most banks are easily accessible in the high street.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

7th May - Tuesday

Harlow Garden Centre

The Nursery grows bedding plants and roses supplying London flower markets and the surrounding areas, also having varieties of trees, shrubs, and various other plants. You will also find a wide choice of garden furniture, barbecues, pots and tubs of many sizes and designs, a varied range of gifts and crafts in lots of different styles.

The Tea & Cake Shop has hot & cold lunches, delicious cakes, and pastries with a wide range of coffees.

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £16.00

8th May – Wednesday

Towngate Theatre – “Oh What a Lovley War” - FULL

Is an extraordinary theatrical journey bringing to life the folly, farce, and tragedy of the First World War.

Arrive Towngate: 13.10pm

Show starts: 13.30pm

Show finishes: 17.00pm

Show costs: £21.00

Minibus cost: £11.50

Total: £32.50

9th May – Thursday

Notcutts Garden Centre and Newnham Court Shopping Village, Maidstone, Kent

Notcutts Garden Centre is a retail chain focused on plants, tools and outdoor furniture, plus gifts and home wares, The Restaurant offers breakfasts, hot meals & delicious cakes with teas/coffees. Next to the garden centre is Newnham Court Shopping Village with an array of different shops & outlets including Cotswold Outdoor, The Edinburgh Woollen Mill, and Pavers shoes.



Arrive: 11.00am-leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £18

10th May – Friday

Heybridge Basin, Maldon

Enjoy a day along the river Chelmer and Blackwater, a chance to have a lovely lunch at The Lock Tea Rooms or The Jolly Sailor Pub.

Arrive: 11.00-leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

14th May -Tuesday

**Buckhatch Nursery & Garden Centre,
Rettendon Common, Chelmsford**

Whether you are an avid gardener or even if you are tending to a small space, such as a patio area or a hanging basket by the front door, the friendly team at BHN are always on hand to advise you on how to create an abundance of colour and beauty to enjoy throughout each season.



They stock a large range of unique gifts and home ware, you are sure to find the perfect present. Once you have finished browsing around our covered and outdoor areas then the coffee shop provides hot/cold drinks, homemade cakes, and scones as well as a large selection of sandwiches and hot food.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

15th May – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping

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Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

16th May – Thursday

Lakeside Shopping Centre/Retail park

Please ask the driver which destination you would like to be dropped off/pick up. 3 drop-off areas, 2 in the retail park and the main shopping centre.

Enjoy a browse around the shops at Lakeside, take advantage of all the different shops i.e. M & S, Primark, House of Fraser and lots more, then stop off for a bite to eat at your leisure in the various restaurants and cafes or if you prefer we can drop you off at the Retail park with TKMax, M&S Outlet, Asda Superstore, Dunelm, Nike Store, Gap, Boots, Smyths Toy Shop.

Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.00

20th May – Monday

Enfield Garden Centre, Enfield

Enjoy walking around the garden centre, wide range of garden plants, tools and equipment in a complex with a gift shop and restaurant.

Arrive: 11.00am- leave 14.30pm

Minibus Cost £16.50

21st May – Tuesday

Maldon Promenade Park, Maldon

On the River Blackwater, stroll along the water's edge or around the lovely park grounds. Visit the local pubs for a bite to eat.

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Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £14.00

22nd May - Wednesday

Romford Market

Visit a new town which has a large outdoor market and enjoy browsing around all the shops in the Romford Shopping Hall and maybe stop for a lovely lunch.

Arrive: 11.00am – leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £14.50

23rd May – Thursday

Polka Dots and Moonbeams Show – 50's hits galore!

Chalkwell Park, London Road, Westcliff on Sea.

Show plus everyone is served with 2 course meal with Tea/Coffee.

Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements.

Arrive: 11.45am Meal 12.00pm Show finishes 16.15pm

Tickets £20.00

Minibus cost: £ 11.50

Total cost: £31.50

8 x tickets available please call the office as soon as possible

24th May - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping

Enjoy walking around all the different shops and restaurants. Visit both the indoor and outdoor markets. Most banks are easily accessible in the high street.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

25th May – Saturday

Lise Lou's up & coming event.

Afternoon tea with Debbie Rainforth singing

Full traditional afternoon tea

All served with unlimited tea & instant coffee.

Arrive for: 12.50pm 1pm live singing 2pm till 4pm

Minibus cost: £10.00

Full afternoon tea: £35.00

Total cost: £45.00

2 x spaces available, so please contact the office as soon as possible.

28th May - Tuesday

Bluewater Shopping Centre –Kent

Bluewater Shopping Centre is an out-of-town shopping centre in Stone, Kent, England. With over 300 stores, 60 restaurants, plus entertainment. Enjoy a walk around the shops, loads of seating areas to have a rest or enjoy a lovely lunch in one of the many restaurants.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £14.50

29th May – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping

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Arrive: 11.00am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

30th May – Thursday

Hockley Market Garden Centre, Hullbridge & Cherry Lane Garden Centre.

A chance to visit both garden Centre's which are only a few minutes away from each other.

Both garden Centre's have gifts, home ware and pet, bird and wildlife centre. They also have lovely restaurants where you can sit and relax and have a lovely lunch with a cup of tea/coffee.

Arrive: 11.00- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £11.50

31st May – Wednesday

Calcott Hall Farm Shop & Ongar Garden Centre, Brentwood

We will visit Calcotts farm shop and stay for up to 1 hour as we have been advised by clients that have visited it's well worth a look, as they have so much produce. They offer a range of fresh fruit, vegetables, Fish & a butchers. We will then go onto Ongar Garden Centre which is a smaller centre with a lovely outside space of plants and indoor area with gardening equipment, gifts, homeware, and clothing. The Gardener's retreat restaurant serves breakfasts, lunches, afternoon teas with delicious cakes and beverages.

Arrive: 11.30am- leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

DID YOU KNOW?

You can now make payment over the phone.
No need to send a cheque into the office.
Membership or Renewal's
Can also be take over the phone.



Notes for everyone going onto the minibus, please read.

We recommend you call and book a table at the garden centres.

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PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE LIMITED SPACE ON THE BUS, SO WE CANNOT ACCOMMODATE ANYMORE THAN 2 SQUARED SHOPPING TROLLEYS.

Please be ready when the driver arrives to get onto the minibus so we can pick everyone up on time and make sure you know where the driver will be picking you up and what time on the return journey. Thank you.

If you have any special places you would like to visit, please do not hesitate to contact the office and we will try our best to arrange them for you.

Always give us a call for a last-minute booking if we have a seat available, we will try our best to book you in.

TTR Shopping trips on the Minibus

The tickets are per return journey and are sold in batches of 3 tickets for £15.00. The tickets will be valid for six months, so please make sure you use them by the end date as they cannot be extended.

We may have to adjust the time occasionally and if this happens, we will inform you as soon as possible.

Shopping timetable – Wednesday

Dates: **10th, 24th April 8th, 22nd May**

Route	Tesco Extra - Pitsea		Aldi/The Range & Pitsea Market
Drop off time	10.15		10.30
Pick up time	12.15		12.30
Please note this may be cancelled if we have insufficient members.	Times for pick up vary due to the number of members on board the minibus. Please be ready from 9.30am onwards.		Please let the office know if you have a walker or shopping trolley.

Canvey/Benfleet Customers – Shopping timetable – Friday

Dates: **5th, 12th, 19th, 26th April 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st May**

	Morrisons - Canvey	
Drop off time	10.30	
Pick up time	12.45	
Please note this may be cancelled if we have insufficient members.	Times for pick up vary due to the number of members on board the minibus. Please be ready from 9.30am onwards.	Please let the office know if you have a walker or shopping trolley.



Can you Help?

We are looking for Cups, saucer, side plates, spoons,
tea pots, coffee pots & cake stands.

We are 25 years old in June 2024 and we are celebrating
with some of our drivers
and customers and desperately require donations of the
above!