



Local People Helping Local People



Castle Point Social Car

Scheme Regular Transport Trips

Door to Door Service Tel: 01268 201666 Option: 2 – 9.00am – 3.00pm

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.

Check if you 2 for 1 or half price on some attractions using your Disabled badge or bus pass.

Attention all members

PLEASE PAY AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE.

PLEASE NOTE: it is your responsibility to make a phone call to the office to make your payment. I'm sure you can appreciate it is very time-consuming contacting all the clients for payment, please make a note on your calendar at least two weeks prior to travel to remind you that payment is due.

Unfortunately, we cannot make refunds once the trip has been paid for unless the Car Scheme cancels the trip.

Seats are limited and will be booked on a first come first served basis so please book early. Due to high interest in the trips, we have started a reserved list and if someone cancels or cannot make the trip, we will call you to see if your able to attend. This has proven to be very successful. (If possible, we will always try to add a second bus on if a bus/driver is available).

If we have insufficient numbers unfortunately, we will have to make the decision to cancel the trip two week before the trip is due to go ahead.

Donations

Thank you all so much for your very kind donations - it is very much appreciated. Just to advise that unfortunately, due to the ever-increasing costs of postage, we will no longer be sending out a thank you letter. This will enable the full cost of your donation to be put towards benefitting the scheme. Thank you.

JUNE

1st June – Monday **DATE CHANGED** - FULL
**Buckhatch Nursery & Garden Centre, Rettendon
Common, Chelmsford**

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

RESERVE LIST



3rd June – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping - FULL

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. **RESERVE LIST**

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

4th June – Thursday

Maldon Promenade Park, Maldon - FULL RESERVE LIST

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £14.00

10th June – Wednesday

Lakeside Shopping Centre/Retail Park/Ikea – FULL

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.00

2 X BUSES - RESERVE LIST

11th June - Thursday

Freeport, Braintree Shopping Centre

Set in a relaxing village environment, Freeport Braintree offers everything you need with over 85 stores for all your shopping and some fantastic eating places.

OR

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

Both have a fantastic range of fantastic gifts & homeware for your home or garden, lots of indoor and outdoor plants.

Choose from the Braintree Garden centre, which has the Gardeners Retreat Restaurant, or the Cherry Lane Garden Centre family-run restaurant serving homemade meals and teas and coffee.

You can go to either the garden centre or Freeport, please let the office know when booking a seat on the minibus.

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £16.50

12th June - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping – FULL RESERVE LIST

Chelmsford Cathedral Lunch time concert begins 12.00 noon.

Free admission, teas & coffees from 11.30am.

Cathedral School

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

15th June – Monday

Longacres Garden Centre, Chelmsford

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £14.00

2 X BUSES LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

17th June - Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping - FULL

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

RESERVE LIST

19th June – Friday

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

RESERVE LIST

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

24th June – Wednesday

Meadow Croft Garden Centre, Wickford - FULL

Quality plants which 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 their meals are homemade on the premises and cooked to order, using the best local ingredients. They also offer a range of gluten-free and vegan meals.

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

2 X BUSES –RESERVE LIST

25th June – Thursday

“Visit a new town Centre”- Felixstowe - FULL

Felixstowe is a well-loved, traditional seaside resort with sand and shingle beach, long promenade with the 2nd largest pier, perfectly kept seafront gardens and variety of seaside attractions.

Lots of various places to eat as well as Beach Street which has restaurants and outlets.

Arrive: 11.00am depending on traffic – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £26.00

This trip can only go ahead if we have 8 clients

RESERVE LIST

26th June - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping - FULL

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 begins 12.00 noon.

Free admission, teas & coffees from 11.30am.

Orpheus Singers

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

RESERVE LIST

Lise Lous Afternoon tea and entertainment 27th June 2026 – Saturday – FULL

29th June – 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

SPACES AVAILABLE



Minibus Cost £16.50

29th June - Monday

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

RESERVE LIST

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

1st July – Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping – FULL

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

RESERVE LIST

2nd July - 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: £17.00

2 X BUSES SPACES AVAILABLE

9th July – Thursday

Thurrock Garden Centre, South Ockendon – FULL

No cash, card only.

RESERVE LIST

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.00

9th July – Thursday

“Visit a new town Centre”

Herne bay, Kent - FULL

Enjoy a day out at the sunny seaside, walk along the seafront or just enjoy the views and relax with a cup of tea or coffee and a bit of lunch.



Arrive 11.30am depending on the traffic – 15.30pm Minibus Cost: £22.00

This trip can only go ahead if we have 8 clients

2 X BUSES - RESERVE LIST

10th July - Friday

Chelmsford Shopping - FULL

Chelmsford Cathedral Lunch time concert begins 12.00 noon.

Free admission, teas & coffees from 11.30am.

Helen Lunn - Organ

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

RESERVE LIST

New trips for July

13th July - Monday

Towngate Theatre – Neil Sounds

All Star Old Time Variety Show

Arrive: 13.30pm show 14.00pm - Leave: 17.00pm

Theatre cost: £17.50 Minibus cost: £11.50

Total: £29.00

10 tickets reserved, please call the office as soon as possible no later than 29th May

Payment in full required



13th July – Monday

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 are 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

15th July - 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

16th July - Thursday

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

We will be visiting 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: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £11.50

16th July – Thursday

Burnham on Crouch

Have a lovely browse through the antique shops and enjoy a walk along the estuary.

Why not have a bite to eat at any of the lovely pubs or cafes in the local area.

Every **Tuesday** the High Street in Burnham hosts a small market.

Arrive: 11.00 – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.50

July 22nd – Wednesday

Summer Variety Show – 2 X BUSES FULL

23rd July – Thursday

Summerhill Garden Centre, Billericay

Lots of different types of outdoor bedding and houseplants. Several types of outlets: large pet's corner, and Gibson's finest meats, family run butchers and farm shop. The Sustainability Store refill = zero waste/refill store, pasta, rice, oats, nuts and much more.

Oliveta Restaurant has a stunning menu, which is filled with the flavours of Italy whilst retaining many of the favourites that we have all enjoyed.

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

Visit a new City and enjoy all the local places of interest

23rd July – Thursday

Visit Colchester - Various places to choose - Hollytree Museum, Colchester Castle or Shopping in the Town of Centre.

Hollytrees Museum is free to visit, publicly owned museum in the centre of Colchester and is close to Colchester Castle.



You are also very close to the town Centre with lots of shopping and different café/restaurants to choose from.

Why not try one of the tea rooms close to the Castle or walk to the Town Centre and visit all the local shops.

Arrive: 11.00-14.30pm Minibus Cost: £17.50

This trip can only go ahead if we have 8 clients

24th July - 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 begins 12.00 noon.

Free admission, teas & coffees from 11.30am.

No concerts advertised

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

27th July – Monday

Claremont Garden Centre, Maldon, Essex – *New Garden centre*

Indoor plants with a vibrant tropical indoor house selection, also with a large area of outdoor plants, delightful homeware and giftware. Enjoy yourself in the TinRoof Cafeteria & bakery.

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

28th July –
Tuesday

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: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

28th July - Tuesday

Alton Garden Centre, part of British Garden Centres, Wickford, Essex

They are the largest garden centre in Essex and they stock literally thousands of fantastic outdoor and garden products to meet your every possible garden need.

The Gardeners Retreat Restaurant which includes your classic favourites plus a great selection of freshly baked cakes, pastries, freshly ground coffees and teas, they also offer a great choice of light snacks, hot meals.

Arrive: 11.00am- leave 14.30pm

Mini-bus Cost: 10.00

29th July - Wednesday

Rayleigh Town Shopping

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Arrive: 11.00am- Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.00

29th July – 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 stop for a lovely lunch.

Please note at least a 10-minute walk from the carpark and you will need to go under the underpass to walk to the market. This is the only parking we can find the closest legally to drop off.

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £15.50

30th July – Thursday

Polhill Garden Centre, Sevenoaks, Kent

Horticultural centre and shopping village selling home furnishings, Clothes, shoe outlet plus farm shop, butchers, and seafood. Lots of indoor and outdoor plants.

Visit the Novell's Restaurant and experience the wonderful food made from local ingredients prepared fresh each day.

2 x BUSES

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £17.50

31st July – Friday

Battlesbridge Antiques Centre and the Barge Inn Pub

Walk around all the different Antique Centre's and then sit and relax in The Barge Inn Pub for a drink or lunch, or we could drive a very short distance to The Hawk Pub.

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £10.50

New trips for August

4th August – Tuesday

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 is 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

5th August - 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

6th August – Thursday

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

7th August – Friday

Old Leigh Town, Leigh on Sea

Walk along the sea front and enjoy all the sights over to Kent, either visit Osbournes Bros Cockle Shed Café and enjoy some local sea food, visit the local pubs or Sara's Tea Garden all within a short walking distance or if you prefer the driver will drop you off in the High Street area and you can visit any of the lovely shops and restaurants instead of the Old Town.

Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus cost: £10.00

10th August – Monday

Lathcoats Farm, Beehive Lane, Galleywood, Chelmsford

Visit a new location - Lathcoats Farm is a third-generation family fruit farm growing over 40 varieties of delicious English apples and a wide variety of summer fruits since 1912. The farm shop sells their own apple juice and



mouthwatering range of produce from small, trusted, often family businesses from around our region. The Bee Shed Coffee House offers fresh coffee, homemade cakes, breakfasts, light lunches also directly opposite is **Abercorn Plant & Garden Centre** with lots of indoor plants and a wide range of outdoor plants. Various home, living and gifts available. The Abercorns café serves tasty cakes or if you fancy a meal filled jacket potatoes, salads, paninis, or toasties available as well as breakfasts.



Arrive: 11.00am – Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.00

11th August – Tuesday

“Visit a new town Centre”-Clacton on Sea

Enjoy a day out at the sunny seaside, walk along the seafront or just enjoy the views and relax with a cup of tea or coffee and a bit of lunch.

Arrive 11.30am depending on the traffic – 15.30pm Minibus Cost: £25.50

2 X BUSES

This trip can only go ahead if we have 8 clients

12th August – Wednesday

RHS– Hyde Hall, Rettendon, Chelmsford,

Sitting prominently on a hilltop with sweeping views across the rolling Essex countryside, Hyde Hall takes full advantage of its 360-degree views. At the Centre of the garden, you will find intensely cultivated planting schemes that slowly begin to soften and blend out into the surrounding landscape. The result is an eclectic mix of horticulture from traditional rose gardens and herbaceous borders to large sweeping borders of grasses and meadowland.

A perennial favorite at Hyde Hall is the Dry Garden which shows a fantastic range of drought-tolerant plants and now you can enjoy even more of it thanks to an extension doubling its size. Other much-loved areas are the Courtyard Gardens, which celebrate the ever-popular cottage garden style of planting, but with a modern twist, and a new lake nestled at the bottom of Clover Hill.

Two lovely restaurants to choose from Gardeners Rest Restaurant & Clove Café

Entry fee adult ticket price £18.40 – please purchase on the day.

Free for RHS Members

Arrive: 11.00am- Leave:14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £12.50

13th August – Thursday

Canterbury, Kent

Enjoy a day out at the World Heritage Site of Canterbury in Kent is home to some of the most historic (and best-known) buildings in Britain - from the ancient 6th Century St. Martin's Church to the towering Canterbury Cathedral. With such character and prestige, it is no wonder that Canterbury is one of the most popular destinations in the south.



Guided Historic River Tours have been a favourite pastime for over 80 years and this Canterbury attraction allows you to escape the busy city centre and discover Canterbury from the unique perspective of the River Stour.

Arrive: 11.00am depending on traffic

Travel time (1hr 15 mins) Leave: 14.30pm Minibus cost: £25.00

This trip can only go ahead if we have 8 clients

13th August - Thursday

Scotts of Southend Nurseries & Garden Centre Matalan, Southend



A very well-equipped smaller garden centre with lots of indoor and outdoor plants. The shop has a lovely gift and clothes area. The restaurant is a modern and vibrant eatery with traditional home cooked food, it has an indoor and outdoor seating area.

We will also stop off at Matalan for a little look around the fashion and homeware store.

Arrive: 11.00am – 13.30 onto Matalan 13.45 leave 14.45pm

Minibus Cost: £12.00

14th August - 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 begins 12.00 noon.

Free admission, teas & coffees from 11.30am.

No concerts advertised

Arrive: 11.00am - Leave: 14.30pm

Minibus Cost: £13.50

Variety show and meal Total £33.50 including minibus

July 22nd Summer Variety Show - FULL



September 10th Annie Riley & Friends

November 26th Xmas Cracker

Please call the office to reserve a seat on the minibus.

SPACES GOING FAST

Dates for your diary

Now taken list of names if you are interested

28th Nov – music Michael Bubl 

Festive menu Mimi £40, Full £45.00

2 x spaces available, please call the office as soon as possible

19th December – **music Rod Stewart – cancelled**

Event now changed

Festive Bingo with singer Dave Parker

Excellent prizes all made up by Lise Lou.

Last day before Christmas shut down so lots, lots of fun.

Festive menu Mini £40, Full £45.00

TTR Shopping trips on the Minibus

The tickets are per return journey and are sold in batches of 3 x 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: **27th May 10th, 24th June 8th, 22nd July 12th, 26th August**

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 9.00am onwards.		Please let the office know if you have a walker or shopping trolley.

Canvey/Benfleet Customers – Shopping timetable – Friday

Dates: **Every Friday 2025 (except bank holidays)**

You can only book 1 months in advance, due to popular demand we are having to limit how far ahead you can book, hopefully this will resolve any issues, sorry for any inconvenience caused.

	Morrisons - Canvey	
Drop off time	<u>10.30</u>	Times changed slightly
Pick up time	<u>12.30/12.45</u>	Times changed
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 9.00am onwards and be outside ready for the bus 12.35pm.	Please let the office know if you have a walker or shopping trolley.