
Report to Enterprise and Environment Committee

Date of Meeting: 21 May 2015

Subject: Supported Bus Services

Report by: Head of Development & Environment

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. This report details to Committee the forthcoming changes to the Council's financed supported bus services in Clackmannanshire and updates on the Forth Valley Royal Hospital Services ('H' services).

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that Committee :

- note the intended changes to the Clackmannanshire Council financed supported bus services as detailed in section 4.3 of the report.
- note the commencement of the revised supported bus services from August 2015, supported by a programme of communication and engagement between May - August 2015.
- note the NHS Forth Valley have extended the current 'H' services up to March 2018 as detailed in section 4.8 of the report.

3.0 Background

- 3.1. The Council currently finance four supported bus routes in Clackmannanshire. The table below sets out the bus services and their routes. Each of the routes is subsidised by the Council with subsidy ranging up to £18 per passenger per trip.

Service No.	When Operates	Where Operates	Frequency
C64	Mon - Sat	Alloa Town	1 hour
C68	Mon - Sat	Menstrie, Tullibody, Alloa	2 hours
C69	Mon - Sat	Glenochil, Alloa, Dollar	2 hours
C70	Sunday only	Glenochil, Alloa, Yetts of Muckhart	2 hours

3.2. The Council as part of its budget consultation process consulted generally and with specific community groups on proposals to change the supported bus services. Public and service user feedback stated the locality based services were important as many areas of the supported bus services were not supported by commercial services, making it difficult for residents to travel across the county.

3.3. The Council in February 2015 approved £100,000 saving from the cost to provide supported bus services.

4.0 Considerations

4.1 The current supported bus services are provided by two operators. One operator took the decision to terminate their contract with Clackmannanshire Council to operate supported bus services C64 and C70. A notice to this effect was issued giving the Council 3 months notice to terminate. As a result of this notice an interim provider of the C64 service has been provided.

4.2 Clackmannanshire Council's area is well supported by bus services with frequent Commercial services supported by the Council's four supported bus routes and the NHS Forth Valleys H₁ & H₂ service. As shown in Appendix 1 of the report.

4.3 Following review of the supported bus service provision, the Council seek to continue to finance supported bus services in Clackmannanshire. In order to deliver a more sustainable service the following changes will be introduced to the supported bus services. The changes to service provision are set out below :

- C70 - This service will be withdrawn when current operator withdraws delivery on 17 May 2015.
- C64, C68 & C69 - These services will be replaced by three new supported bus routes the C1, C2 and C3 services.

- 4.4 The C1, C2 and C3 bus services will operate on a 2½ hourly frequency, on a Monday - Saturday basis from 8.00 am - 6.00 pm. The new timetable is attached as Appendix 3.
- 4.5 The map in Appendix 2 of the report outlines the bus route for each of the new bus services. The new bus services continue to service our communities of greatest need on a geographical basis where commercial bus services are not available and where the supported bus services are in demand used by communities.
- 4.6 The areas no longer supported by supported bus services C1, C2 and C3 are Menstrie, Dollar, Whins Road, Gaberston, Alloa Park, Greenside Street, Smithfield Loan (part) and Parkway. These areas will no longer be served on the basis of a frequent commercial service provision in close proximity and/or very low passenger numbers.
- 4.7 The C1, C2 and C3 supported bus services will come into operation on Monday 17 August 2015, immediately after the school holidays. The new services will be widely marketed in the local press, social media, poster and leaflets in buses and in communities and through face to face attendance at Community Councils and other community organisations. The services will support users to transfer to the new services.
- 4.8 The NHS Forth Valley in awarding a new contract to deliver the H₁ & H₂ service to March 2018 contracted the service on the basis of a Monday - Saturday service. The 'H' services have therefore been withdrawn on a Sunday. This change came into effect from mid April 2015. For residents seeking to access the Forth Valley Royal Hospital by public transport on a Sunday can access the commercial service C60.

5.0 Sustainability Implications

- 5.1 There are presently no direct sustainability implications for the Council.

6.0 Resource Implications

6.1 Financial Details

- 6.2 The new supported bus services provision will enable the Council to achieve the financial efficiency set out in the 15-16 and 16-17 budget.

Yes

- 6.3 Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report.

Yes

6.4 Staffing

- 6.5 There are no direct staffing implications resulting from the report, staff from the Joint Public Transport Co-ordination Unit will be involved in monitoring usage of the service.

7.0 Exempt Reports

7.1 Is this report exempt? Yes (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No

8.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1) **Our Priorities** (Please double click on the check box)

The area has a positive image and attracts people and businesses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Our communities are more cohesive and inclusive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
People are better skilled, trained and ready for learning and employment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Our communities are safer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vulnerable people and families are supported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Substance misuse and its effects are reduced	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health is improving and health inequalities are reducing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The environment is protected and enhanced for all	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The Council is effective, efficient and recognised for excellence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail)

9.0 Equalities Impact

9.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?

Stage 1 and Stage 2 Equalities Impact Assessments have been undertaken.

Yes

10.0 Legality

10.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers.

Yes

11.0 Appendices

11.1 Appendix 1 - Bus Service Provision in Clackmannanshire
Appendix 2 - C₁, C₂ & C₃ Bus Routes
Appendix 3 - C₁, C₂ & C₃ Bus Timetable

12.0 Background Papers

12.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)

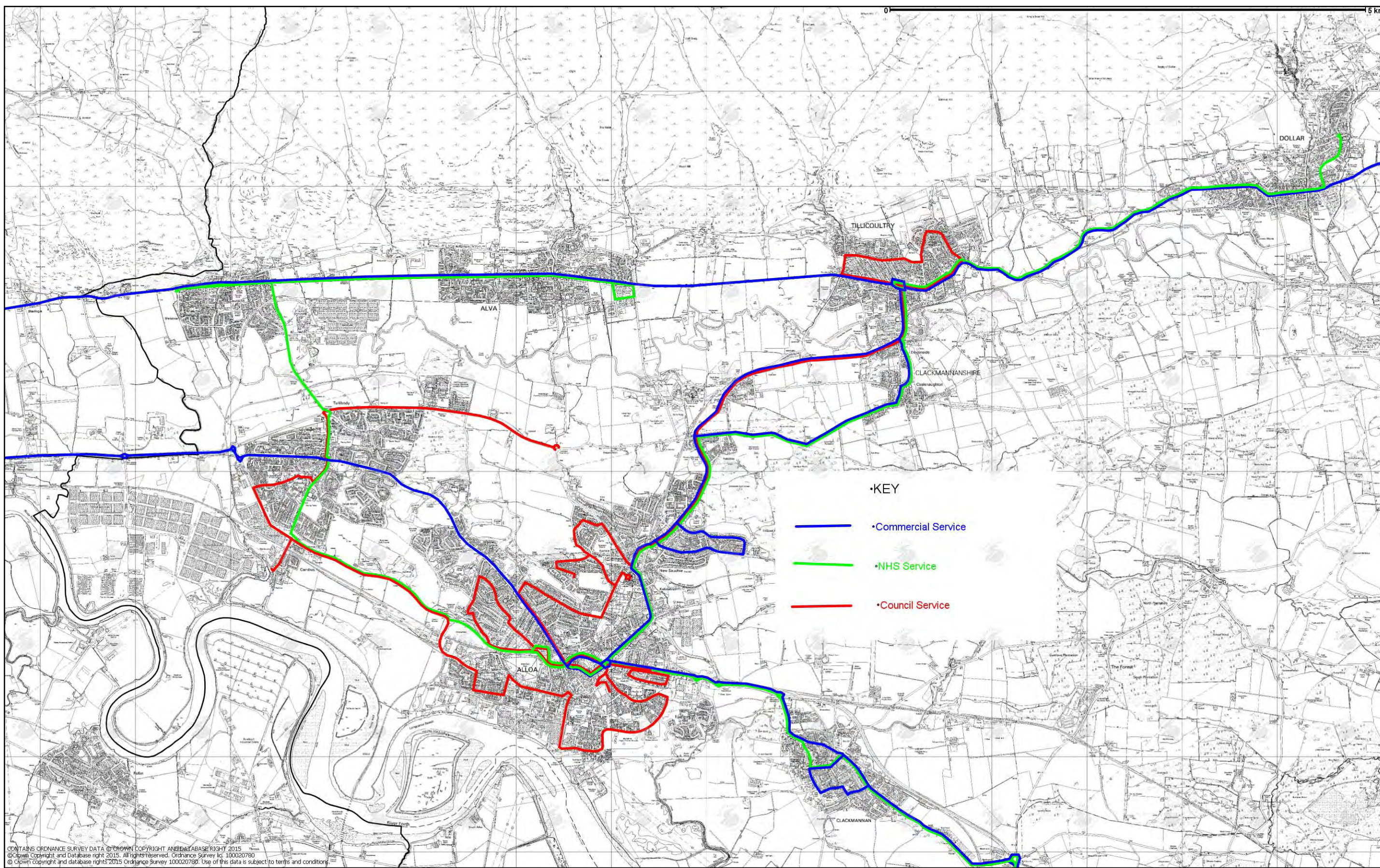
Yes (please list the documents below) No

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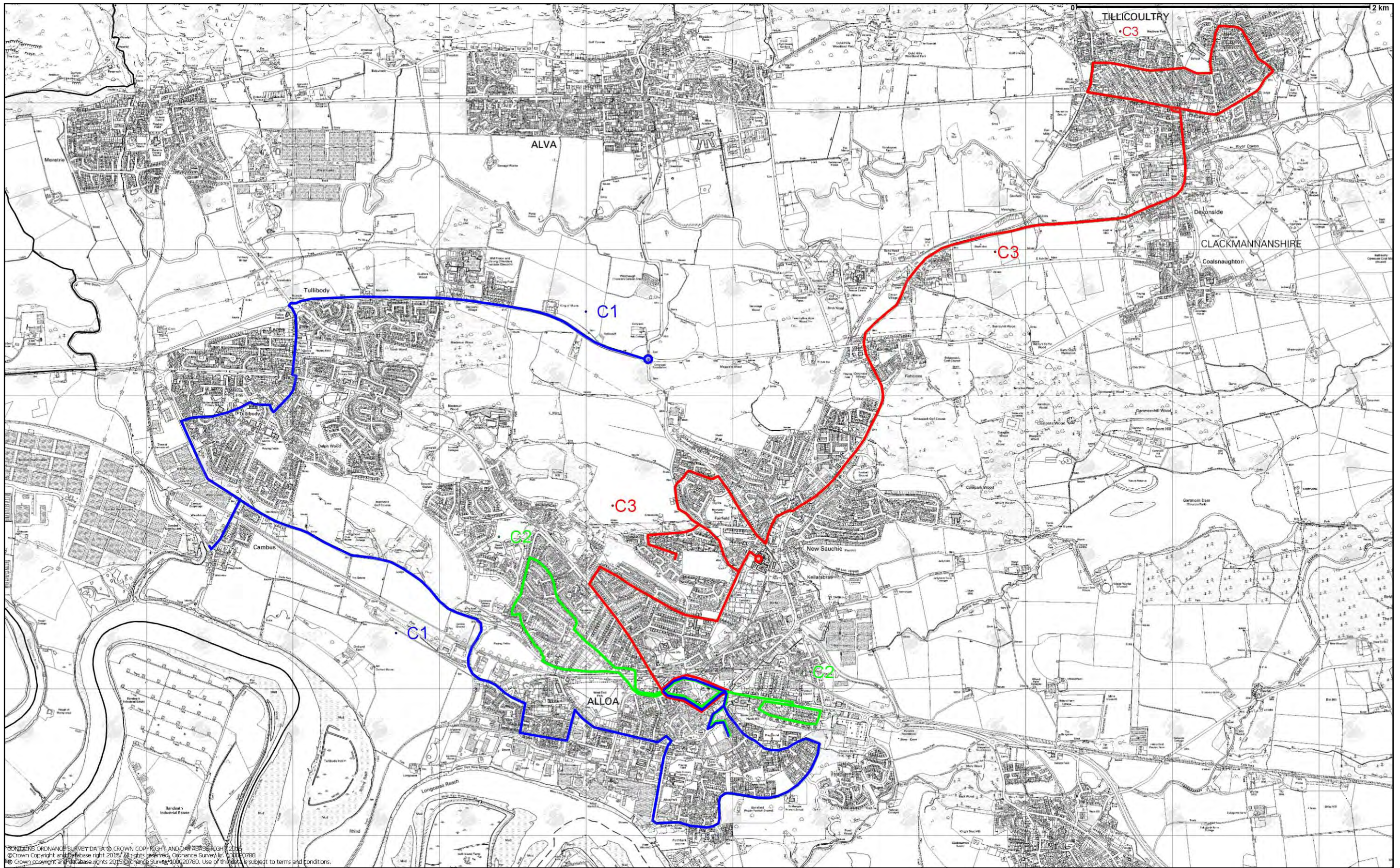
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Network showing proposed services





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Services C1-C3



Service C1: ALLOA - CAMBUS

		Mondays to Saturdays			
Miles	Service no.:	C1	C1	C1	C1
0.0	Alloa (Shillinghill)	08:00	10:30	13:00	15:30
0.4	Alloa (Tesco)	08:02	10:32	13:02	15:32
1.5	Alloa (Forth Crescent at St Mungo's PS)	08:06	10:36	13:06	15:36
2.0	Alloa (Bowhouse Road at No 15)	08:08	10:38	13:08	15:38
2.6	Alloa (Bedford Place opp. Royal Oak Hotel)	08:10	10:40	13:10	15:40
3.2	Alloa (Caledonian Road)	08:12	10:42	13:12	15:42
3.6	Alloa (Smithfield Loan opp. New Struan House)	08:13	10:43	13:13	15:43
5.4	Cambus	08:19	10:49	13:19	15:49
6.3	Tullibody (The Orchard)	08:23	10:53	13:23	15:53
6.5	Tullibody (Main Street)	08:24	10:54	13:24	15:54
7.9	Glenochil	08:29	10:59	13:29	15:59

Miles	Service no.:	C1	C1	C1	C1
0.0	Glenochil	08:34	11:04	13:34	16:04
1.4	Tullibody (Main Street)	08:39	11:09	13:39	16:09
1.6	Tullibody (The Orchard)	08:40	11:10	13:40	16:10
2.6	Cambus	08:44	11:14	13:44	16:14
4.3	Alloa (Smithfield Loan at New Struan House)	08:50	11:20	13:50	16:20
4.7	Alloa (Caledonian Road)	08:51	11:21	13:51	16:21
5.3	Alloa (Bedford Place)	08:53	11:23	13:53	16:23
5.9	Alloa (Bowhouse Road)	08:55	11:25	13:55	16:25
6.5	Alloa (Forth Crescent)	08:57	11:27	13:57	16:27
7.5	Alloa (Tesco)	09:01	11:31	14:01	16:31
7.9	Alloa (Shillinghill)	09:03	11:33	14:03	16:33

Service C2: GEAN ROAD - HAWKHILL

		Mondays to Saturdays			
Miles	Service no.:	C2	C2	C2	C2
0.0	Alloa (Shillinghill)	09:05	11:35	14:05	16:35
1.1	Alloa (Redwell Place)	09:09	11:39	14:09	16:39
1.3	Alloa (Gean Road)	09:10	11:40	14:10	16:40
1.7	Alloa (Churchill Street)	09:12	11:42	14:12	16:42
2.0	Alloa (Claremont)	09:13	11:43	14:13	16:43
2.6	Alloa (Shillinghill) arr	09:15	11:45	14:15	16:45
3.1	Alloa (Tesco)	09:17	11:47	14:17	16:47
4.0	Alloa (Hillcrest Drive)	09:21	11:51	14:21	16:51
5.2	Alloa (Shillinghill)	09:25	11:55	14:25	16:55

Service C3: ALLOA - TILlicOUNTRY (FIR PARK)

		Mondays to Saturdays			
Miles	Service no.:	C3	C3	C3	C3
0.0	Alloa (Shillinghill) dep	09:27	11:57	14:27	16:57
1.5	Alloa (Ashley Terrace)	09:33	12:03	14:33	17:03
1.8	Sauchie (Parkhead Road)	09:34	12:04	14:34	17:04
2.0	Community Healthcare Centre	09:35	12:05	14:35	17:05
2.9	Sauchie (Woodlea Park)	09:38	12:08	14:38	17:08
4.1	Sauchie (Mar Place)	09:43	12:13	14:43	17:13
5.1	Fishcross	09:47	12:17	14:47	17:17
5.4	Devon Village	09:48	12:18	14:48	17:18
7.1	Tillicoultry (Murray Square)	09:53	12:23	14:53	17:23
8.4	Tillicoultry (Harviestoun Grove)	09:58	12:28	14:58	17:28

Miles	Service no.:	C3	C3	C3	C3
0.0	Tillicoultry (Harviestoun Grove)	09:59	12:29	14:59	17:29
0.8	Tillicoultry (Murray Square)	10:02	12:32	15:02	17:32
2.5	Devon Village	10:07	12:37	15:07	17:37
2.8	Fishcross	10:08	12:38	15:08	17:38
3.7	Sauchie (Mar Place)	10:12	12:42	15:12	17:42
5.0	Sauchie (Woodlea Park)	10:17	12:47	15:17	17:47
5.9	Community Healthcare Centre	10:20	12:50	15:20	17:50
6.0	Sauchie (Parkhead Road)	10:21	12:51	15:21	17:51
6.4	Alloa (Ashley Terrace)	10:22	12:52	15:22	17:52
7.9	Alloa (Shillinghill)	10:28	12:58	15:28	17:58

Total miles per day = 149.0
 Total miles per week = 894.0
 Total miles per year = #####

