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Connexions Bus Service to Appleton Roebuck.

Dear Nigel,

I understand that you are the person to contact regarding the review of passenger transport and would like to give you my views on the service provided to Appleton Roebuck, as someone who does have to use the service.

The connexions bus service has been very welcome, however the latest changes have been less so and have reduced to virtually zero. This is the only public transport serving the village and, before the recent changes, I was able to easily access York and the neighbouring villages and return home without a significant wait at Askham Bar Park and Ride. The recent changes have prevented me from what I would like via public transport as

1. The route from Askham Bar to the centre of York & back is so long. There must be local bus services for these housing estates on route!
2. The horrendously long return journey from Askham Bar to Appleton is unbearable given that you are not much more than 5 minutes from home to make a half hour plus diversion through Temple Lane. This is even worse when nobody gets on or off the bus for this portion of the journey.

These changes have also meant it is not possible to use the bus to travel between Appleton and Colton without a very long journey in one direction.

Finally if the service is being reviewed, would you also consider?

1. An occasional service into Tadcaster? Appleton and Colton are part of the Selby District, and are supposed to look to Tadcaster as a service centre, something that is now impossible to do without a car. If there was a service specifically timed once or twice a week which would allow people time to go to the Doctors, Dentists, swimming, shopping at Sainsburys, go to the bank, council offices or market etc this might be better supported. Perhaps one morning and one afternoon during the week and maybe on a Saturday too would be successful.

I hope you find these comments and suggestions constructive, and look forward to a better service from the start of May when the current timetable is to change.

Yours sincerely

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