

## **Fixed route Shuttle buses Q&A**

### **What happened to the idea of new fixed shuttle bus routes in the Chew Valley?**

Chew Valley Area Forum Climate & Nature Emergency Sustainable Transport Group (CVAF C&NEWG) worked with WECA to design two new new services, the 526 Chew Valley Circular & 527 Chew Valley Link which would provide a regular service (much more frequent than present services) and would then complement DRT services.

The idea emerged from our 'Have Your Say: Sustainable Transport in the Chew Valley survey in 2021 and we presented the idea to people at the Big Choices for Buses public meeting and put it to Dan Norris the WECA Mayor.

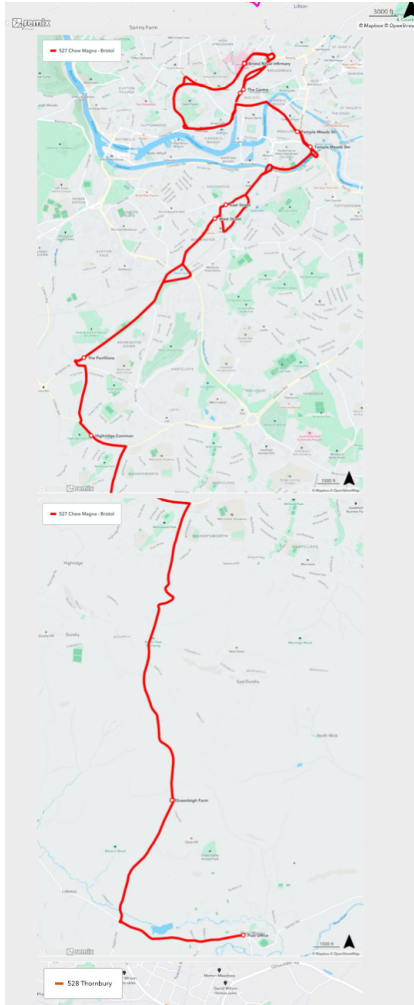
This was to be funded by the government's Bus Service Improvement Plan money, bid for by the WECA Mayor and North Somerset Council lead. It was accepted as a concept, fully designed and tendered by WECA, and the tender was bid for, but WECA then took the decision in January 2023 not to run these services. B&NES is currently challenging this decision in the hope of getting these services in place. We will update further as this develops.

### **What were the proposed routes of those services?**

The 526 would travel there and back around the valley from Blagdon to Chew Magna with an extra loop to take in Stanton Drew.



The 527 would travel there and back from Chew Magna into Bristol via Dundry hill



People would be able to connect the two journeys in Chew Magna.

**CVAF C&NE Sustainable Transport Working Group**

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