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Gibraltar Buses to Incorporate Bus Tracking Technology

The Ministry for Transport, Traffic and Technical Services is pleased to announce that HM Government of Gibraltar is working on a real-time bus tracking service that will cover all the working routes offered by the Gibraltar Bus Company.

The Gibraltar Bus Tracker WebApp, which is being developed by the Information Technology & Logistics Department, uses location data provided by enhanced dedicated GPS devices mounted inside each bus. This information is then transmitted wirelessly to a tracking server using on-board cellular equipment. The developed software integrates the geographical bus location data with the bus route information which is then embedded within Gibraltar's geoportal maps to output the information displayed on the WebApp.

The Gibraltar Bus Tracker WebApp will offer riders *real-time* bus information. From any smart phone or desktop computer with internet access, citizens will be able to access the website, select a bus route and see a transit map that will display where buses are located within the given route. The buses will move across the map in real-time.

We know where our buses are and so should you! The Gibraltar Bus Tracker Web App is yet another way in which we are trying to improve our service. Why wait for the bus when you can meet it?

The Chief Minister, the Hon Fabian Picardo QC, said:

"My Government wishes more people to make use of our excellent bus service and I am delighted that this initiative will make bus transport even more user-friendly."

The Minister for Transport, Traffic and Technical Services the Hon Paul Balban said:

"It gives me great satisfaction to announce that the Gibraltar Bus Tracker WebApp is currently in development and underway. We believe the service will improve the public transport experience of bus users by facilitating real time information."

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