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STTPP – New Request Bus Stop Initiative

HM Government of Gibraltar is pleased to announce, in keeping with recommendations contained in the Sustainable Traffic, Transport and Parking Plan, the introduction of a Request Bus Stop trial. This new initiative if successful will provide a more time efficient and effective service to the public.

Since December 2012, the Gibraltar Bus Company has adopted a policy whereby buses stop at all bus stops irrespective of whether there were passengers waiting for the bus or passengers wishing to alight.

As from Tuesday 1st August 2017 some bus stops will become Request Stops on a trial basis. A request stop is one where buses only stop if there are passengers wishing to alight or board. This will make the service provided far more time efficient by reducing unnecessary stops and therefore improving service.

When a user at a request stop would like to board the approaching bus, they will need to signal to the driver from the pavement thereby indicating their wish for the bus to stop. If a passenger on a bus would like to alight from a bus at a request stop they simply activate the nearest stop request buzzer on the bus, which is common practise.

Not all stops will become request. A banner sticker with the word 'Request' will clearly help to identify all these bus stops.

In an effort to assist users' as much as possible and providing awareness, bus inspectors will be deployed on board buses informing the public of this new initiative. In addition, although the scheme goes into effect as from Tuesday 1st August, for a month, bus drivers themselves will be slowing down on the approach to bus stops and stopping in some instances in an effort to familiarize the public with this new system.

For any further questions regarding request stops or any other Gibraltar Bus Company issues please contact them on 200 47622 or info@gibraltarbuscompany.gi

The Government would like to take this opportunity to remind all bus users that the Night Bus operates every Friday and Saturday night between the hours of 9pm and 2am.

