



To whom it might concern

I have become aware that the Poldens is poorly served in relation to public transport.

I have also been made aware that many areas in Somerset have taken action to improve this by organising Community bus schemes run by and for their local community.

Just a glance at this Somerset Web site we can see how poorly our area is served.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-travel-and-parking/community-transport/#Sedgemoor%20area>

Wedmore Community bus – the friendly bus

<https://www.theisleofwedmore.net/community-bus/>



I am writing to ask if your Parish Council would feel able support a proposal to have a community bus for the Poldens, or at least join an online seminar meeting with an existing Community Bus director to find explore how these schemes are used in their community, the costs and the benefits.

There appear to be various funding streams that could be tapped into to set up such a scheme.

I have attached an article I wrote for the Polden Post which outlines the idea and the proposed route.

This is a 'scoping' exercise but we would be delighted to hear from anyone who feels they could embrace this idea and help to take it forward.

Please consider it as an item for your agenda,

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