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Peterborough Transit Route and Fare Changes

Peterborough Transit is striving to improve services and meet operating cost reductions approved in the 2009 operating budget. Service improvements made since 2006 have made transit a more viable transportation option, as witnessed by annual ridership growth of 6%. Popular service enhancements include on-time service, fully accessible buses and extended hours of operation.

The following changes to transit service will be taking place effective May 3, 2009.

Route Changes

Route changes are limited to Routes 3, 7, 12 and the Trent-Fleming Connect.

Route 3 will no longer go into the WalMart parking lot. The bus will go straight up Chemong Road to Portage Place. This change is taking place because there are new stores on Chemong Road where transit riders have requested to stop. Route 2 will continue to serve WalMart directly.

Route 12 is being shortened and the service hours expanded to include weekends. The route, which currently travels from the Transit Terminal through the Bennett Industrial Park to Fleming College, will now travel only as far as the Industrial Park. The change will allow the route to be serviced by one bus rather than two. Weekend service will be provided on Saturdays from 6:40 am – 6:40 pm and on Sunday from 9:20 am – 6:00 pm. Weekend service has been in demand by area employees as well as customers going to retail shopping on this route.

Route 7 will change slightly to serve the Spillsbury south neighbourhood that has been served by Route 12 since it was introduced. In addition, a small loop in the Park South and Howden Street area is being eliminated to streamline the route.

The **Fleming-Trent Connect** will be replaced with the Fleming Express, a Monday to Friday express operating between the Transit Terminal and Fleming College. The Fleming Express will serve the college during peak times. Routes 6 and 7 will continue to serve

Fleming College. Trent will continue to be served by the East and West Bank Express Services, as well as Route 1.

Fare Increases

Fares will increase to \$2.25 (from \$2.00) for one ride on transit. The popular day pass, which provides unlimited travel all day for one person for up to 2 adults and up to 4 children, is increasing to \$7. Student and adult 30 day passes are increasing \$5 to \$50 and \$55 respectively. The child and senior 30 day passes will be \$33.

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