

#### **Tickets**

Bus tickets can be bought in a variety of ways both on the bus and in advance:

**Advance**: Tickets can be bought before boarding the bus via the Reading Buses app, online on the Reading Buses website or at the Reading Bus Shop in Broad Street Mall. Tickets can also be bought using the Reading Buses Smart Card.

On the Bus: Tickets can also be bought on the bus using cash or contactless card. Change is provided on the 600 and Leopard 3, although the majority of other routes operated by Reading Buses do not. Tickets bought using the app or online are usually cheaper than buying on the day.

#### **Boost Fares and School Tickets:**

Cheaper boost fares can be purchased by those aged 18 or under and by full time students at local colleges and universities. Tickets for students at local schools can also be purchased and information on this and the bus routes to schools can be found on the Reading Buses website.

#### simplyWokingham & Reading

The brand new simplyWokingham & Reading bus ticket provides unlimited bus travel on any bus in the simplyWokingham & Reading zone, which includes buses from Arborfield, Shinfield, Spencers Wood, Burghfield Common and Sonning Common and includes both Reading Buses and Thames Valley Buses.

#### **Fares**

	all day	7 day	30 day	90 day	365 day
adult (app/online)	£6	£21	£75	£225	£850
adult (bus shop)	n/a	£22	£80	£235	£870
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	all day	7 day	30 day	pass	365 day
Boost (app/online)	£4.50	£16	£56	£205	£550
Boost (bus shop)	n/a	£18	£58	£215	£580

#### **Contacts**

Further information can be found in the following places:

#### Reading Buses:

www.reading-buses.co.uk/contact 0118 959 4000 customerservices@reading-buses.co.uk Reading Buses App

#### **Wokingham Borough Council:**

www.wokingham.gov.uk/contact-us/get-in-touch 0118 974 6000

#### My Journey Wokingham:

www.myjourneywokingham.com Support to plan your journeys!

# Service changes & how it affects you...

If you travel on Services **7**, **8**, **9** & **600**Please read inside this leaflet



Changes from **5th September 2022** 





# 600 Service Spencers Wood / TVSP Swallowfield & Riseley FAOs



#### Q: Why are the buses changing?

**A**: Reading Buses consistently review and amend timetables and services where needed. A reduction in government funding and fundamental changes linked to home working and online mean some services are changing to suit current travel patterns and provide the best service possible. These changes provide quicker journey times via the A33 for residents of Fullbrook Avenue and a better, regular, hourly service for residents of Swallowfield and Riseley.

#### Q: What is changing?

A: Bus route 9 is changing and will only run between Reading and Wentworth Avenue top (Whitley Wood Road) whilst routes 7 and 8 are being removed. The 600 will now complete three different routes to fill these gaps: To/From Reading Town Centre via Mereoak, TVSP / Spencers Wood to Reading Town Centre, Swallowfield and Riseley to Reading Town Centre.

#### O: What time will the service run?

**A.** The full timetable can be found under "Routes & Times" on the Reading Buses website or on the Reading Buses app. The Reading Bus Shop in the Broad Street Mall also has timetables which customers can take with them for all Reading Buses services. The Reading Buses App also shows live bus times and a journey planner. The first bus from TVSP/Spencers Wood runs at 06:50 and last bus at 23:00. The first bus from Swallowfield and Riseley runs at 16:21 and last bus at 23:06

#### O: How often will the buses run?

A. The '600 to TVSP/Spencers Wood' and the '600 to Swallowfield and Riseley' services will each run on an hourly basis Monday to Saturday. Both routes will run through Spencers Wood, Three Mile Cross and Mereoak Park and Ride, with two extra services running to/from Reading via Mereoak each hour.

#### Q: What will the cost of travel be?

**A.** More information on the cost of travel can be found in the Fares section of this leaflet and on the Reading Buses website.

#### Q: How do I know I am catching the right bus?

A. The final destination for the bus will be on the front of the bus.

# Q: Where will the bus stop be in Reading?

A. The bus stops are by Broad Street Mall, Market Place and Station Rd.

#### Q: Are buses safe to use?

**A**. Buses are absolutely safe to use. All Reading Buses vehicles undergo a daily sweep and external wash, alongside a regular internal clean.



#### Q: Who will operate the bus service?

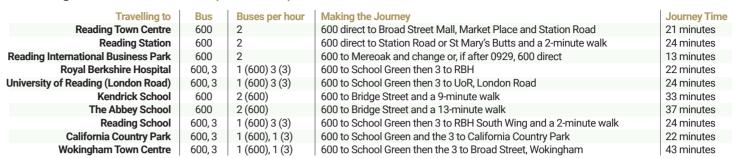
A. The 600 service is run by Reading Buses (www.reading-buses.co.uk)

#### Q: How do I find out more information?

**A.** More information can be found on the Reading Buses website, using the Reading Buses app or in the Reading Bus Shop (Broad Street Mall)

# **Getting to...**

Travelling from Three Mile Cross (Post Office)



<sup>\*</sup>Please note that the estimated length of time is dependent on services taken, traffic levels and bus changeover times\*

### Travelling from Fullbrook Avenue

Travelling to	Bus	Buses per hour	Making the Journey	Journey Time
Reading Town Centre	600	1	600 direct to Broad Street Mall, Market Place and Station Road	27 minutes
Reading Station	600	1	600 direct to Station Road or St Mary's Butts	28 minutes
Reading International Business Park	600	1	600 to Mereoak and change or if after 0929 600 direct	15 minutes
Royal Berkshire Hospital	600, 3	1 (600) 3 (3)	600 to School Green (2 minutes, or a 16-minute walk) and the 3 to RBH South Wing or Main entrance	18 minutes
University of Reading (London Road)	600, 3	1 (600) 3 (3)	600 to School Green (2 minutes, or a 16-minute walk) and the 3 to UoR, London Road	20 minutes
Kendrick School	600, 3	1 (600) 3 (3)	600 to School Green (2 minutes, or a 16-minute walk), the 3 to UoR, London Road and a 2-minute walk	22 minutes
The Abbey School	600, 3	1 (600) 3 (3)	600 to School Green (2 minutes, or a 16-minute walk) and the 3 to UoR, London Road and a 4-minute walk	24 minutes
Reading School	600, 3	1 (600) 3 (3)	600 to School Green (2 minutes, or a 16-minute walk), the 3 to RBH South Wing and a 2-minute walk	19 minutes
California Country Park	600, 3	1 (600) 1 (3)	600 to School Green (2 minutes, or a 16-minute walk), the 3 to California Country Park	18 minutes
Wokingham Town Centre	600, 3	1 (600) 1 (3)	600 to School Green then the 3 to Broad Street, Wokingham	39 minutes

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## Travelling from Swallowfield & Riseley (Swallowfield Bus Stop)

Travelling to	Bus	Buses per hour	Making the Journey	Journey Time
Reading Town Centre	600	1	600 direct to Broad Street Mall, Market Place and Station Road	30 minutes
Reading Station	600	1	600 direct to Station Road or St Mary's Butts	31 minutes
Reading International Business Park	600	1	600 to Mereoak and change or, if after 0929, 600 direct	18 minutes
Royal Berkshire Hospital	600	1 (600)	600 to St Mary's Butts, then one of multiple buses to RBH Main Entrance	42 to 50 mins
University of Reading (London Road)	600	1 (600)	600 to St Mary's Butts, then one of multiple buses to UoR, London Road or a 19-minute walk	45 to 50 mins
Kendrick School	600	1 (600)	600 to St Mary's Butts, then one of multiple buses to Crown Street or a 12-minute walk from St Mary's Butts	42 to 50 mins
The Abbey School	600	1 (600)	600 to St Mary's Butts, then one of multiple buses. Or a 16-minute walk from St Mary's Butts	42 to 50 mins
Reading School	600	1 (600)	600 to St Mary's Butts, then one of multiple buses to Addington Road and a 5-minute walk or a 25-minute walk.	50 to 60 mins
California Country Park	600, 3	1 (600), 1 (3)	600 to St Mary's Butts, 3 to California Country Park	1 hour 26 mins
Wokingham Town Centre	600, 4/X4	1 (600), 3 (4/X4)	600 to St Mary's Butts, 4/X4 to Broad Street, Wokingham	1 hour 9 mins

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