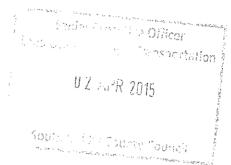


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Date: 30th March 2015

Dear Ms. Reilly.

Thank you for your letter dated 20th March 2015 regarding a motion passed by Rathfarnham Templeogue-Terenure Area Committee to ask about a review of the 15B bus route and consideration for residents of Whitechurch estate

As you will be aware in December 2011 Dublin Bus revised its route network in the area as part of Network Direct. The key objectives of project Network Direct was to:

- Provide more direct routes to the city centre and other areas of demand
- Provide even intervals between departures on services
- Reduce the number of route variations through amalgamations of legs
- Meet the demand of customers based on the most up to date information

The revised route structure in the Whitechurch/Rathfarnham area meets the above requirements. The changes have provided for improved frequencies and an increase in the number of destinations available to customers. Customer support has been positive with improved patronage on many areas of the routes.

Dublin Bus currently operate a morning peak 15B inbound departure at 08.05hrs from Whitechurch Estate and two evening departures outbound to Whitechurch Estate at 15.00hrs and 16.53hrs; recent surveys have shown a poor customer uptake of these services.

In relation to realigning any further services via Whitechurch, this would be contrary to the key deliverables of Network Direct, the implementation of which are part of Dublin Bus contract for services with the NTA.

Notwithstanding the above Dublin Bus continually monitors the performance of its services, however at present Dublin Bus is not proposing any significant changes to the route network as it currently operates.

Yours sincerely,

Paddy Doherty, Chief Executive.