

# Portland

## Student Travel Information & Timetable 2017-18



*How are you going to travel?*

# Weymouth College Travel Shop

## Fleet Restaurant

### Opening Hours

**Monday**            09:00hr—17:00hr

**Tuesday**           09:00hr—17:00hr

**Wednesday**       09:00hr—17:00hr

**Thursday**           09:00hr—17:00hr

**Friday**             09:00hr—16:30hr

Opening hours will be adhered to whenever possible unless such circumstance dictates otherwise.

Travel & Transport Manager : Pete Atkins 01305 764766

Any concerns when the Travel Shop is closed are to be addressed to the Reception 01305 761100

## **Welcome to Weymouth College**

This booklet will help you make the best use of the Student Travel Service here at Weymouth College.

It is specifically designed for students who travel from Portland, so you can see at a glance how easy it is to get to Weymouth College.

As you work through the booklet it will hopefully answer all of your questions but if you have others please contact us – the numbers are at the back.

### **Do I qualify for a travel pass?**

The college offers assistance for students, who live on Portland and are attending a full-time course.

The Transport Department can offer assistance for students aged 16-18. Anyone else requiring financial assistance needs to apply to SSF, contact 01305 764807.

### **What does a travel pass offer?**

Unlimited travel, 7 days a week, 365 days on services in Portland, Weymouth and Dorchester for a whole year including holidays.

### **How much will I need to contribute?**

The college uses a subsidised fixed contribution rate for all students and this year (2017- 2018) it has been set at £460.00.

### **Can I spread the payments.**

The college offers a payment plan under Direct Debit of 3 equal instalments, over 3 consecutive months With an admin fee of £20. A Direct Debit mandate is available on the web page.

## **Is there a deduction for those in receipt of benefits? - See student support for advice on this**

The College has a discretionary fund which is part funded by the Government and the college, it is administered by the College to assist students experiencing financial hardship.

Funding is limited and offered on a **first come first served basis**. It is to help towards course related costs **including transport**.

Each application to the discretionary support fund will be individually assessed on its own merits and will be subject to the availability of funds. If your application is successful, you will be advised of the total amount awarded.

Application forms can be obtained from Student Services or downloaded from the college website.

## **I have a disability or medical condition that requires specialist transport. Is there additional help?**

There are funds available to assist students with their travel to the college and if you require alternative forms of transport please contact the Travel & Transport Manager for further guidance.

## **How do I apply?**

On the college web site you will find an application form, please fill this out and if you require a bus pass then return it to the college with a **passport sized photo** and payment attached.

## **When should I apply?**

Applications should be returned as soon as possible. Even if you are unsure of your choices until you have received your results, it is still advisable to make an application for transport now. If you then decide not to join Weymouth College we will cancel your pass and give you a full refund.

## **When will my pass be available to me?**

If you have applied for a travel pass by 18th August 2017 your pass will be ready for issue at your enrolment interview. Cheques will not be cashed until the Bus Pass is issued.

However, if you apply for your pass at enrolment interview, or later you will be responsible for your own travel costs until the pass can be issued. In these circumstances you will not be entitled to a refund for the fares incurred.

## **What if I apply on the first day?**

Applications received on the first day will not be eligible for a refund and you will be responsible for your own travel costs until your pass is available.

## **Can I use my pass if I have to stay late?**

Yes, your pass can be used at any point throughout the day on all First services to Portland, Dorchester and services around Weymouth. Full timetables are available from the Travel Centre.

## **I have a friend that wishes to travel home with me?**

The College utilises a public service bus on this route. Your friend can purchase a ticket on the bus, as would a member of the public.

## **What if I lose my travel pass?**

First have put in place a Season Ticket Replacement Scheme that you will be offered when you come to collect your annual bus ticket from us at the enrolment days.

This scheme will allow you to replace your ticket free of charge twice on a "no quibble" basis

The cost of the Scheme is £30 payable on collection of your annual ticket. If you haven't entered this scheme you will be liable, if you wish to replace the ticket at full face value and the college will be unable to assist with funds.

## **What if I leave the college?**

The College pays full face value for each ticket. You are purchasing an annual Bus pass from First which is then being subsidised by the college and belongs to you and goes with you. You can continue to use the bus pass for the life of that pass.

If you leave college you will be responsible for paying the difference between the subsidised value and full face value to the college. You cannot return the pass and gain a refund.

## **How often am I issued with a travel pass?**

Travel passes are valid for a whole year so there will only be one issue at the start of the year.

## **Where are the bus stops at college?**

There are some services that stop at the college bus stop on site by Fleet building and other services travel along Dorchester Road.

## **Can my pass be withdrawn?**

Students are advised that the college reserves the right to withdraw travel assistance if a student misbehaves or if there is any abuse of the system. Passes must not be lent to, or borrowed by other students under any circumstances as this may lead to disciplinary action.

## **Can I Use my Car instead?**

The College encourages the use of public transport wherever possible. if you drive your car you will not be able to claim for petrol. Anyone who is not on a public transport route should seek advice from the Transport Manager.

The college has sufficient parking for all students that bring their cars to college but you must apply for a parking permit and a contribution of £24 is required. Failure to display a valid College permit will possibly result in a penalty charge notice being issued.

**Some Useful Transport Contact Information:**

Damory Coaches – 01258 452545

First Hampshire & Dorset – 01305 783645 [www.firstgroup.com](http://www.firstgroup.com)

Wilts & Dorset Bus Co – 01202 673555 [www.wdbus.co.uk](http://www.wdbus.co.uk)

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Portland Ripcroft	0725	0735	0745	0755	0800	0805	0815	0825	0835	0846
Easton Square	0734	0745	0755	0805	0810	0815	0825	0835	0845	0856
Portland Victoria Square	0742	0753	0803	0813	0818	0823	0833	0843	0853	0904
Wyke Regis Smugglers	0751	0802	0812	0822	0827	0832	0842	0852	0902	0913
Commercial Road	0804	0815	0825	0835	0840	0845	0855	0905	0915	0926
Weymouth King's Statue [K4]	0806	0817	0827	0837	0842	0847	0857	0907	0917	0928
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Wyke Regis Smugglers	1635	1645	1655	1705	1715	1721	1725	1735	1745	1755
Portland Victoria Square	1645	1655	1705	1715	1725	1731	1735	1745	1755	1805
Easton Square	1655	1705	1715	1725	1735	1741	1745	1755	1805	1813
Portland Ripcroft	1702	1712	1722	1732	1742	1748	1752	1802	1812	1820



We hope you have found this booklet helpful. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us using the address or telephone number below.

## How to Contact Us

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