

Huron Shores Area Transit

Launching December 14, 2020



Transit Pilot Project Update

- Last Update: Service provider → Voyago
 - Vehicle information, bus storage facilities
- Where we are now:
 - Covid-19: Safety Measures
 - Routes, Schedules, and Fares
 - The HSAT Advisory Committee
 - Website and Marketing
 - Joining SCOR / SCT



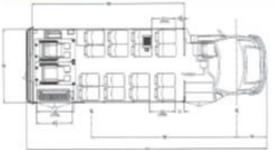
Covid-19: Safety Measures

- Additional cleaning offered by Voyago
- Masks provided at entry for those who do not have them
- Other measures to be discussed with advisory committee:
 - Physical distancing in the bus
 - Review measures taken by other travel agencies



Voyago Vehicles & Storage





- 2 new buses:
 - 2019 Glaval Titan II
- 26 ft. (9.7 metres)
- 18 seated passengers, 2 wheelchair positions
- Rear wheelchair lift
- Meets all AODA standards

Bus storage at Lambton College and location in Grand Bend (TBD)



Routes and Schedules

- Route 1 Long Distance: Sarnia Grand Bend
 - Monday to Sunday; 2 round trips daily
 - Servicing Kettle Point and Forest
- Route 1 Local: Grand Bend Forest
 - Monday to Friday; 3 round trips daily
 - Servicing Kettle Point
- Route 2 Long Distance: Grand Bend London
 - Monday to Sunday; 2 round trips daily
 - Servicing Dashwood, Exeter, Huron Park, Lucan
- Route 3: Bayfield Grand Bend
 - Wednesday and Friday; morning one way, evening return
- Route 4: Ailsa Craig Parkhill Grand Bend
 - Tuesday and Thursday; morning one way, evening return





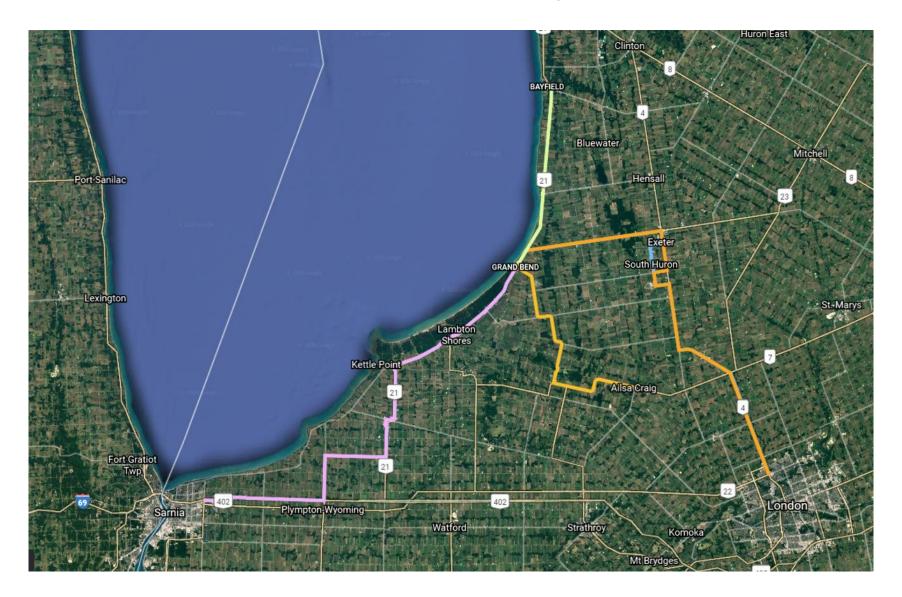
Zone-Based Fare System

- What is zone-based pricing?
 - The transit network is divided into zones. Each zone has a flat fare. The price to be paid by the passenger will depend on the number of zones travelled
- Payment options:
 - Cash
 - Smart card system
 - Mobile app. payment





Route Map



HSAT Advisory Committee

- 4 municipal representatives, one from each of the municipalities involved:
 - Bluewater, Lambton Shores, North Middlesex, South Huron
- 3 agency representatives from the coverage area, including:
 - Lambton County Social Services, Grand Bend Health Centre, and South Huron Hospital Board
- 4 members of the public:
 - Two business representatives from Grand Bend Chamber of Commerce and Forest BIA
 - Lambton College, and Kettle and Stony Point First Nation
- 2 advisors (non-voting):
 - HSAT Transit Coordinator and Municipal finance staff member



Website & Marketing

www.huronshoresareatransit.ca

- Route, Schedule, and Fare information
- AODA compliant access to information
- And more coming in December
 - FREE service for the first month
 - Get familiar with the bus
 - Radio ads
 - Local media outlets
 - Facebook page



Joining SCT



South West Community Transit Membership

- Comprised of municipalities and not-for-profit organizations in Southwest Ontario (Members).
- Increasing travel connections between under-served areas, rural communities and urban cities.
 - Consistent messaging across all regions
 - Coordinate marketing & promotions to leverage economies of scale
 - Common website for riders to obtain information (fares, stop locations, policies)
 - Similar policies for accessibility to ensure a seamless service



Future Plans

- Review demand-responsive service options
 Servicing: Port Franks, Thedford, Zurrich, and Hensall
- Analyze ridership statistics and modify fixedroute service and schedules, if required
- Work with SCT to create seamless transfers with neighbouring transit agencies

