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******PRESS RELEASE******

VICTORY FOR PARISH COUNCIL IN ENSURING BUS SERVICE RUNS

FROM WOODVILLE TO SAINSBURYS

Many of you living in the Woodville area have recently made representations to the Parish Council on the loss of the bus service 8/8A and in particular the difficulty in accessing services, especially Sainsbury's, the withdrawal of this service has caused. It was noted that there was a lack of consultation on the loss of this service and no consultation at all in the parish it actually affected. The Parish Council listened to the strong representations that were made and invited Stagecoach to a Parish Council meeting at the beginning of the year where those representations were made direct to the Operations Manager. Stagecoach assured the Parish Council that it would liaise with Devon County Council (DCC subsidise service 12) to alter the route and include a service to Sainsbury's. The Parish Council is pleased to announce that, after liaising with Devon County Council, Stagecoach has been able to alter the route of the Bus Service 12 to include three stops at Sainsbury's in the morning and two in the afternoon. This is a lifeline to many people living in the Woodville area and the Parish Council is pleased that an alteration has been made. The route Service 12 will follow around Woodville is:

Service 12C from Barnstaple

Bickington Road

Woodville

Victoria Woodhouse BA (Hons), Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer
Vat No. 634 6617 30

Continue right onto Woodville

Left Lynhurst Avenue

Left Oakland Park South

Right Ellerlise Road

Left Bickington Road

Right at the roundabout towards Sainsbury's

From Sainsbury's the route will be reversed. The Chairman of the Parish Council, Mrs Sue Kingdom, said "Many members of the community have contacted me with their concerns and I am delighted that the Parish Council has been able to work with Stagecoach to reach a compromise that enables a proportion of Fremington Parish who have been left isolated to once again access services."

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