

Suffolk Rural TRANSPORT GUIDE 2022/23

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Travelling to Suffolk Rural

Getting to Suffolk Rural is easy. There is an extensive network of direct bus routes from across Suffolk and Essex.

Suffolk County Council Transport

For routes 118, 119 and WE007 (Woodbridge onwards) you can apply to Suffolk County Council for a discretionary travel pass (16-18 year olds only). Endeavour cards are accepted on pay daily fares. For more information and online applications, please see the [Suffolk On Board website](#), email passenger.transport@suffolk.gov.uk, or call 0345 606 6171.

Suffolk New College Transport

For routes RC1, RC3, RC5/91, RC6 and RC7 (Felixstowe to Martlesham Heath) you must apply for a travel pass from the College directly. With the exception of the RC7 route (Woodbridge onwards), there is no option to pay daily. To make an application to the College for travel on one of our routes, please complete the [application form](#) (link will download automatically) and return it to bursary@suffolk.ac.uk; alternatively contact 01473 382750 to speak with our Bursary & Transportation Assistant. For timetables and bus information see overleaf.

If you are not sure which bus you should apply for, please contact our Student Support team, who will be happy to answer any questions you might have about your journey and how to get to us, at support@suffolk.ac.uk, or call 01473 382738.

When should I apply?

Please ensure you apply for your travel pass in good time - contact the appropriate council directly for further information on their specific timescales. You do not need to wait until your course offer is confirmed or your bursary application has been processed (if applicable).

Specialist Transport

For students with SEND who may be unable to travel by bus, please contact your local County Council for further information about specialist transport for post-16 education.

Is there any financial support available?

There is a College Bursary Fund available, which can be applied for. If eligible, the bursary may be able to offer help towards travel costs. Please be aware that no bursary payments are made prior to students commencing their course, therefore any payments due before September will need to be made up front.

Can I drive my own vehicle to campus?

Students can choose to bring their own vehicles on site. There is plenty of parking available and all car parks are free. Students will need to register their vehicle details at the point of enrolment and collect a parking permit from their curriculum team. This must be displayed at all times when on site.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19): SAFE TRAVEL GUIDANCE FOR BUS PASSENGERS

For information shared by Suffolk County Council for safe travel guidance for public transport passengers at this time, please refer to their FAQs.

Following recent changes to government guidance about Covid, the guidance from the department for Education on dedicated transport to schools and colleges (Covid-19) has been withdrawn. Should this change, the College will post any information regarding safe travel guidance here.



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SUFFOLK RURAL

BUS TIMETABLES

RC4 (Withdrawn with effect from 25.04.22)

Although the RC4 bus has now been withdrawn, several pick-up points from that journey are now included in the RC6 route.

Two areas no longer covered by college transport are Harwich and Dovercourt, Essex.

Students wishing to travel to us from Harwich and Dovercourt are encouraged to contact our Student Support team for advice on alternative routes, by emailing support@suffolk.ac.uk or by calling 01473 382738.

RC7 / WE007 (Public bus) : Felixstowe to Suffolk Rural

RC7	Felixstowe, Coach Park, Garrison Lane	0745	1750
RC7	Felixstowe, Orwell Road	0746	1747
RC7	Felixstowe, Cinema, Hamilton Road	0748	1745
RC7	Felixstowe, Gt Eastern Square	0750	1743
RC7	Walton, 'Half Moon'	0753	1740
RC7	Trimley St Mary, Three Mariners	0756	1737
RC7	Trimley, Link Road (Howlett Way)	0759	1734
RC7	Kirton, Green	0803	1730
RC7	Bucklesham, School	0810	1723
RC7	Martlesham Heath, Eagle Way, Link Road	0814	1719
WE007	Woodbridge, Duke of York	0820	1713
WE007	Woodbridge, Swimming Pool (nr Railway St)	0823	1710
WE007	Woodbridge, Market hill	0826	1703
WE007	Woodbridge, Grundisburgh Rd, op police station	0830	1700
WE007	Grundisburgh Green	0839	1651
WE007	Suffolk Rural	0859	1640

RC7 turns into a public bus (WE007) from Woodbridge onwards so anyone boarding from this point will need to pay per trip.

RC6: Clacton to Suffolk Rural

Clacton, layby, top of Cloes Lane	0715	1810
Clacton, Railway Station	0720	1805
Little Clacton, "The Blacksmiths Arms" Pub	0727	1758
Weeley Heath, Memorial	0730	1755
Weeley, The Street	0732	1753
Weeley, Subaru Garage	0735	1750
Horsley Cross, Clacton Road, opp. Water tower	0750	1735
Manningtree, "Skinners Arms" pub	0800	1725
Manningtree, Station Road, Opp. Railway Station	0805	1720
Capel St Mary, "The White Horse" pub, AM only	0820	--
Capel St Mary, bus stop before Police station, PM only	--	1705
Suffolk Rural	0845	1640

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RC3: Leiston to Suffolk Rural

Leiston, Catholic Church (Junction B1122 / Seaward Avenue)	0725	R
Leiston, Old Post Office Square (Opposite Barclays Bank)	0725	R
Saxmundham, Opposite Bus Station	0740	1745
Kelsale, Bus Stop Old A12 - North	0742	1742
Yoxford, The Griffin Public House	0745	1740
Yoxford, Strickland Manor Hill (Bottom)	0745	1740
Peasenhall, Phone Box	0748	1737
Badingham, White Horse PH	0750	1735
Dennington, Queens Head PH	0755	1730
Framlingham, Bus Stop Well Close Square (near roundabout)	0805	1720
Parham, Village Sign	0810	1715
Wickham Market, Market Square	0820	1705
Charsfield, By Garage	0825	1700
Suffolk Rural	0845	1640

RC1: Thorrington to Suffolk Rural

Thorrington, Crossroads	0720	1810
Alresford, Wivenhoe Road, Junction Ford Lane	0723	1807
Wivenhoe, "The Flag" Pub	0730	1800
Colchester, nr. Greenstead Roundabout (Tesco Bus Stop)	0739	1751
Colchester, Ipswich Road (bottom), Homebase	0743	1746
Colchester, North Rail Station, layby opposite Wickes	0747	1740
Colchester, Brinkley Lane, Brinkley Grove Primary School	0753	1734
Colchester, Ipswich Road (top), Premier Inn layby	0757	1730
Suffolk Rural	0845	1640

R = on request

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RC5 - Changes to Travel

Changes have been made to the RC5 timetable that are outside of the College's control. Beestons, who manage the RC5 route have worked with us to identify a solution to ensure there is still a service to and from the Sudbury bus station. This means you will need to use the number 91 for some of your journey. Anyone wishing to travel to and from the College on this route are advised to read the timetables carefully, as the arrangements for the journey in to college are different to the journey home.

Journey in to college on the 91 and the RC5:

91: Sudbury to Hadleigh	
Sudbury, Bus Station	07:35
Great Cornard, Poplar Road	07:40
Newton Green, Opp. Saracens Head	07:45
Boxford, The Fleece	07:55
Bower House Tye, Brewers Arms	08:00
Hadleigh, Magdalen Road Car Park	08:10

*Get off the 91 at Hadleigh Magdalen Road Car Park, and then board the RC5:

RC5: Hadleigh to Suffolk Rural	
Hadleigh, Magdalen Road Car Park	08:10
Hintlesham, The George	08:25
Sproughton, Wild Man	08:35
Suffolk Rural	08:50

Journey home from College on the RC5 and the 91:

RC5: Suffolk Rural to Ipswich Cattle Market	
Suffolk Rural	16:40
Ipswich, Old Cattle Market, Stand F	17:10

*Get off the RC5 at the Old Cattle Market, and then board the 91:

91: Ipswich to Sudbury (via Hadleigh)	
Ipswich, Old Cattle Market, Stand F	17:15
Ipswich, Ranelagh Road	17:20
Hadleigh Road, opp. Industrial Estate	17:25
Sproughton, A1071 Roundabout	17:30
Hintlesham, A1071 opp The George	17:35
Hadleigh, Magdalen Road Car Park	17:45
Hadleigh, High School	17:50
Hadleigh, Magdalen Road Co-Op	17:55
Bower House Tye, opp. The Brewers Arms	18:03
Boxford, White Hart	18:08
Newton Green, Saracens Head	18:13
Great Cornard, Poplar Road	18:18
Great Cornard, Head Lane	18:23
Sudbury, Bus Station	18:28

Anyone wishing to travel on the RC5 and 91 will have a travel pass that is valid for both buses.

If you have any questions about this route please contact Student Support at support@suffolk.ac.uk or call 01473 382738

Regarding the Ipswich Buses 118/119 routes:

Ipswich Buses accept contactless payments and have a wide range of season tickets available as M-Tickets on their Ipswich Buses App, where customers can also track their bus, plan their journey or gift a ticket to their children. Suffolk County Council's Endeavour Cards will also be valid along with the exact cash fares.

118/119: (Stradbroke) Framlingham - Otley - Ipswich

Monday to Saturday Only	119	118	119	118	119	118	118	119	119	118
Stradbroke, White Hart (opp)	--	0715	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Laxfield, Village Hall (opp)	--	0721	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Badingham, Pound Corner (S-bound)	--	0730	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dennington, Queens Head	--	0734	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Framlingham, Shelter (adj)	--	0751	--	1110	--	1435	1615	--	--	1840
Kettleburgh, Church Road (opp)	--	0802	--	1117	--	1442	1622	--	--	1847
Brandeston, Queens Head (opp)	--	0805	--	1120	--	1445	1625	--	--	1850
Cretingham, New Bell (adj)	--	0808	--	1123	--	1448	1628	--	--	1853
Otley, Shop (opp)	--	0816	--	1131	--	1456	1636	--	--	1901
Suffolk Rural, Bus & Coach stands	--	0819	--	1134	--	1459	1639	--	--	1904
Framlingham, White Horse	0715	--	0930	--	1255	--	--	1705*	1745†	--
Saxtead Green, Old Mill House	0719	--	0934	--	1259	--	--	1709*	1749†	--
Earl Soham, Bus Shelter	0723	--	0938	--	1303	--	--	1713*	1753†	--
Ashfield cum Thorpe, Sunnyside Corner (opp)	0727	--	0942	--	1307	--	--	1717*	1757†	--
Framsden, Peats Corner (opp)	0730	--	0945	--	1310	--	--	1720*	1800†	--
Framsden, Tollgate Bus Shelter (opp)	0733	--	0948	--	1313	--	--	1723*	1803†	--
Helmingham, Otley Turn (opp)	0737	--	0952	--	1317	--	--	1727*	1807†	--
Ashbocking, Nelson Close (opp)	0742	--	0957	--	1322	--	--	1732*	1812†	--
Swilland, Church Lane (opp)	0747	0822	--	1137	--	1502	1642	--	--	1907
Witnesham, Weyland Road (opp)	0750	0825	1000	1140	1325	1505	1645	1735*	1815†	1910
Westerfield, Railway Station	0756	0831	1006	1146	1331	1511	1651	1741*	1821†	1916
Ipswich, Tower Ramparts Bus Station (FF)	0803	0838	1013	1153	1338	1518	1658	1748*	1828†	1923
Ipswich, Old Cattle Market Bus Station (H)	--	0843	1018	1158	1343	1523	1703	1753*	1833†	1928
Ipswich Railway Station, Forecourt (R1)	0810	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

* Saturdays and School Holidays only † Suffolk CC School days only

For Ipswich - Otley - Framlingham (Stradbroke); please see next page

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914: Ipswich - Debenham

Ipswich Railway Station Forecourt	0720	
Old Cattle Market Bus Station	0725	1718
Gt Colman Street	0727	1713
Westerfield Railway Station	0734	1705
Witnesham, Post Office	0739	1700
Witnesham, Weyland Road	0749	1652
Swilland, Church Lane	0753	1648
Suffolk Rural	0756	1645

118/119: Ipswich - Otley - Framlingham (Stradbroke)

Monday to Saturday Only	118	118	118	119	118	119	118	118	118
Ipswich, Railway Station (R1)	--	0815	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ipswich, Old Cattle Market Bus Station (H)	0630	0825	1025	1205	1350	1525	1620†	1620*	1745
Ipswich, Tuddenham Road	--	--	--	--	--	1530	--	--	--
Westerfield, Railway Station (opp)	0638	0833	1033	1213	1358	1536	1628†	1628*	1753
Witnesham, Weyland Road	0644	0839	1039	1219	1404	1542	1634†	1634*	1759
Swilland, Church Lane	0647	0842	1042	--	1407	--	1637†	1637*	1802
Suffolk Rural, Bus Park	0650	0845	1045	--	1410	--	1640†	1640*	--
Ashbocking, Nelson Close	--	--	--	1222	--	1545	--	--	1804
Helmingham, Otley Turn	--	--	--	1227	--	1550	--	--	1809
Framsden, Tollgate Bus Shelter	--	--	--	1231	--	1554	--	--	--
Framsden, Peats Corner	--	--	--	1233	--	1556	--	--	--
Ashfield cum Thorpe, Sunnyside Corner	--	--	--	1236	--	1559	--	--	--
Earl Soham, Bus Shelter (opp)	--	--	--	1240	--	1603	--	--	--
Saxtead Green, Old Mill House (opp)	--	--	--	1244	--	1607	--	--	--
Otley, Shop	0653	0848	1048	--	1413	--	1643†	1643*	1813
Cretingham, New Bell (opp)	0701	0856	1056	--	1421	--	1651†	1651*	1821
Brandeston, Queens Head	0704	0859	1059	--	1424	--	1654†	1654*	1824
Kettleburgh, Church Road	0707	0902	1102	--	1427	--	1657†	1657*	1827
Framlingham, White Horse	0714	0909	--	1249	--	--	1704†	1704*	--
Framlingham, Shelter (adj)	--	--	1109	--	1434	1612	--	--	1834
Dennington, Queen's Head (opp)	--	--	--	--	--	--	1710†	--	--
Badingham, Pound Corner (NE-bound)	--	--	--	--	--	--	1713†	--	--
Laxfield, Royal Oak (opp)	--	--	--	--	--	--	1722†	--	--
Stradbroke, White Hart	--	--	--	--	--	--	1730†	--	--

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SUFFOLK RURAL BUS ROUTES MAP 22/23*

* Updated August 2022



Bury St Edmunds bus station to Suffolk Rural, pick-ups including Stowmarket, Needham Market and others: Suffolk Norse stopped running this route in summer 2020.
 All students who qualify under Suffolk County Council's Post-16 transport policy will be offered an alternative route by Suffolk County Council's Passenger Transport Team.

The RC2 route has been withdrawn. Students wishing to travel from **Rickinghall/Botesdale/Wortham/Palgrave/Diss/Eye/Thorndon/Rishangles/Debenham** are encouraged to contact our Student Support team for advice on alternate routes.

The RC5 route no longer begins at Sudbury. Students can travel on the 91. Refer to the RC5/91 timetables for further information about the changes.