

26 March 2025



**Newport Girls'
High School
Academy Trust**

Dear Parent/Carer

Expression of Interest for Stoke / Stafford Coach Routes 2025/26

Due to a number of enquiries received, we are looking into the feasibility of introducing two new coach routes for the academic year 2025/26. It is important to note that at this stage, the school would just like to assess whether the introduction of these routes would be viable, and it is not a guarantee that we will be able to introduce these routes in September 2025.

The Stafford route would cost £1,200 for the academic year. This will be made up of a £160 deposit and 8 monthly payments of £130. The proposed route we have received from our current partner, Lakeside, can be found below. This is just a suggested route and could be adapted depending on interest.

Stafford

- 07:45 Stafford – Porlock Avenue
- 07:55 Stafford – Bailey Street
- 08:05 Haughton Shops
- 08:10 Gnosall – Bank Top Garage
- 08:30 Newport Girls' High School

The Stoke route would cost £1,280 for the academic year. This will be made up of a £160 deposit and 8 monthly payments of £140. The proposed route we have received from our current partner, Lakeside, can be found below. This again is just a suggested route and could be adapted depending on interest.

Stoke-on-Trent – Limited stops to reduce journey time

- 07:30 Newcastle Bus Station (Stubbs Street)
- 08:00 Eccleshall Castle Street
- 08:05 Woodseaves – One Stop
- 08:20 Newport Girls' High School

If you would be interested in gaining a place on either of these suggested routes should they prove to be viable, please complete the expression of interest form on our website by 11 April 2025. Our expression of interest form can be found here:

<https://www.nghs.org.uk/for-parents/coaches/proposed-new-nghs-bus-routes>

Stafford / Gnosall parents have previously used Austin's Travel, who are also looking to expand their private services to parents of the school. There will be an option on our expression of interest form to allow you to consent for the school to pass on your information to Austin's Travel, who may be able to provide a private service should we be unable to provide these additional routes due to lack of demand.

Yours sincerely,

Miss M Chilcott

Finance Officer