

ARGYLL FERRIES LTD (AFL) REPLACEMENT BUS SERVICE NOW IN PLACE

Argyll Ferries Ltd (AFL) is pleased to announce that arrangements to operate a replacement bus service when both AFL ships are cancelled are now in place. Details of the bus service are as follows:

During a period of suspension of the AFL service, AFL will, at their discretion, provide a replacement bus service which will operate between Gourock rail station and Dunoon town centre linkspan.

This service will come into operation when no AFL vessels are operating, however, customers should expect a short delay while the service is mobilised. Every effort will be made to minimise this period, but we anticipate that the bus service will come into service around 30 minutes after mobilisation at Gourock or an hour at Dunoon.

The journey time is likely to take up to one hour dependent on connection times.

AFL passengers must board the buses at Gourock rail station or Dunoon town centre linkspan and cannot join the bus service at any other point (eg McInroy's Point, Hunter's Quay or on the ferry).

During the interim period while the tender process is underway, buses will operate broadly in line with the existing AFL ferry timetable with the following exceptions for operational reasons:

- **In the event of an early morning bus service being required, the first available bus from Dunoon will be no sooner than 0715hrs.**
- **In the event of an evening bus service being required, the last bus will depart from Gourock no later than 2020hrs and from Dunoon no later than 2145hrs.**

In these circumstances no refunds will be available for any pre-paid ticket types. AFL regrets it cannot reimburse any travel expenses incurred when the AFL ferry service is suspended or cancelled but the replacement bus service is unavailable.