

What is the Slinky?

Slinky is an accessible bus service funded by Somerset County Council for people unable to access conventional transport.

This service can be used for a variety of reasons such as getting to local health appointments or exercise classes, visiting friends and relatives, going shopping or for social reasons. You can also use the Slinky as a link to other forms of public transport.

Who can use the Slinky?

You will be eligible to use the Slinky bus if you:

- Do not have your own transport
- Do not have access to a public bus service
- Or have a disability which means you cannot access a public bus

Parents with young children, teenagers, students, the elderly, the retired and people with disabilities could all be eligible to use the Slinky bus service.

How does it work?

If you are eligible to use the service you will first need to register to become a member of the scheme. You must complete a registration form and return it to the booking office before using the service for the first time.

Once registered you can then book a journey by contacting your booking office at least 24 hours before you want to travel. Trips can be booked up to two weeks in advance.

How much does it cost?

Please phone the booking office to check the cost for your journey. English National Concessionary Travel Scheme passes can be used on Slinky services. You will need to show your pass every time you travel. If you have a companion element on your bus pass your companion can also travel with you for free. Somerset Student County Tickets are also valid on Slinky services.

Somerset County Council's Slinky Service is operated by:

South Somerset Association for Voluntary & Community Action Ltd, Unit 5, Yeovil Small Business Centre, Houndstone Business Park
ssvca.org.uk/communitytransport/slinky

Services available:

Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm

Booking number:

0844 800 9646

Booking lines are open:

Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

For more information on Community Transport in your area, please phone Somerset Direct on

0300 123 2224

or visit our website at

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Areas served each day of the week as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chard Donyatt Ilminster	Chaffcombe Winsham Forton Wambrook	Knowle St Giles Cricket Malherbie Dowlish Wake King Stone Chillington	Whitestaunton Combe St Nicholas Bishopswood Buckland St Mary Horton Isle Brewers Fivehead Curry Mallet Isle Abbots Ilton	Chard Donyatt Ilminster
Destinations				
Chard Ilminster	Chard, then journeys within Chard Town	Chard, then journeys within Chard Town	Ilminster	Chard Ilminster

Other community transport services in the area:

South Somerset Community Transport - SSVCA Tel: 01935 477399

SSVCA Community Cars Tel: 01935 411572

Crewkerne Voluntary Transport Tel: 01460 77242

South Somerset Community Accessible Transport - CAT Tel: 01963 33864

South Somerset Links Tel: 01458 250169



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Please phone the booking office if you live within the Chard & Ilminster area but your village is not in the list.