



Mini-Bus Guidance

The Club can make available a subsidised 16 Seater Mini-Bus for use in running IVC events.

This is limited to one bus a month and only to those events that would be harder or impossible to organise without it.

The offer is for a 16 seater bus, with driver, for 6 hours duration within the West Midlands area.

Typical uses will be to visit an out of the way location or to allow one-way walks or tours such a pub crawls. The Cttee needs to make sure that the events are as varied as possible so that the widest range of members can benefit from this arrangement.

Not really good use of the clubs funds if alternative public transport is readily available or if a combination of public transport and taxis would be cheaper.

Events making use of the Mini-Bus must appear in at least one Bulletin to make sure that the widest possible number of members has access.

Members have to pay £5 each towards the £220 cost of the mini-bus. This should preferably be collected by using PayPal as it keeps the admin effort down.

If you need more than 6 hours time then arrange this directly with the Min-Bus company and set a charge to cover the extra cost as well as the £5 basic charge.

There is no penalty for not filling the bus but that is obviously to be preferred.

Normally the bus for each month will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis but if there is more than one application the Cttee will choose the one that they feel makes the best use of this facility.

How to apply

First work out your event and then approach any member of the Committee. We will attempt to get back to you within a day or so.

How to Order the Bus

Please order the minibus directly from the hire company Plaza on 0121 382 1111. Mention Birmingham IVC when you book. We have a deal to get the Bus & Driver for £220 for 6 hours. Depending on how far you are going etc., they may choose to do this as two trips rather than have the bus hanging around which is up to them. Pay for it yourself and get reimbursement from the Treasurer. You can get an advance to pay for this if you want.

Pick Up Location

Suggest a City Centre pickup (Paradise Circus by the Town Hall is favourite). Don't allow members to persuade you to do a tour to pick up or drop off people as it's a waste of the bus time and everyone else's. Additional pickups in a straight line to the venue are OK but no more than 1 or 2 we would suggest.

Finally – make sure to all have a great time ☺