

Appendix 2 Christmas public transport proposals

Translink Proposed Christmas Service enhancement & Promotional Offers

Metro - Network Wide Promotional Fare

£2.50 Day Return Fare (All Metro Services) after 9.30am

A new £2.50 Day Return Ticket will be available after 9.30am every day from 1st – 31st December 2016. The paper ticket is only available from the driver and represents a saving of up to £2 on single cash fares.

The new £2.50 ticket is also available for Park & Ride passengers using the Black's Road, Cairnshill, Dundonald and Ballymartin services. Late night shoppers can enjoy the convenience of Park & Ride as well as not worrying about traffic and parking. The new £2.50 fare promotion is the perfect way to travel and save more money on the run up to the busy Christmas shopping period. The table below outlines savings against the standard single and cash return fares.

Additional late night shopper services will also be operating across the Metro network to cater for the increased demand as late night shopping commences on the run to Christmas.

Ulsterbus & NIR

For those travelling from further afield, 1/3 of offer on NIR and selected Ulsterbus routes after 0930 will be available.

Additional late night services will also operate on Selected Ulsterbus routes to cater for the increased demand.

Park & Ride

On commencement of late night shopping in the City (28th November) the following park and ride sites opening hours will be extended beyond 1830 and operate a service every 30 minutes, up to approximately 30 minutes after shops close.

Park & Ride service	single / return cash fare	Savings made with £2.50 fare	Discount
Black's Road	£2.00 / £3.80	£1.30	34%
Cairnshill	£2.00 / £3.80	£1.50	34%
Dundonald	£2.00 / £3.80	£1.60	34%
Ballymartin	£3.50 / £6.30	£3.80	60%

Department for Infrastructure Christmas transport arrangements:

- For those travelling by roads, planned road works on key arterial routes into Belfast, Londonderry, other cities and major towns across the north, will cease in the run up to Christmas. This will apply from Monday 28 November 2016 to Tuesday 3 January 2017 and will include works by utility companies, as well as Transport NI. Only emergency works will be permitted on these routes during the embargo.
- Belfast's Traffic Control Centre will stay open for longer periods as necessary during the evenings, to assist with the monitoring and control of traffic across the city in the run up to Christmas.
- Cairnshill, Dundonald, Black's Road Northside and Eastside Park and Ride sites in Belfast will be open for longer hours to facilitate additional bus services being provided by Translink.