



Boston Community
Transport



Boston Big Local Funding report: Boston Community Transport

Quarter 1: March – July 2022

Over the last 3 months Boston Community Transport has:

- Produced vouchers for our Volunteer Drivers to assist with their fuel costs.
- The voucher covers 50% of their mileage expenses claimed for the previous month.
- The first voucher was backdated and covered February and March 2022 (we backdated it to February as this is when the fuel started to rise dramatically).
- We now have over 750 customers registered to use our service, 274 of which use us on a regular basis (at least every couple of months), with the majority of customers using us weekly.

Update:

We had hoped that the rise in fuel costs would be a temporary blip, but sadly they are still heading very much in the wrong direction.

Many of our volunteers have expressed that should they continue to rise they will have to consider whether volunteering is truly viable for them (with the majority being pensioners themselves they could soon be out of pocket).

Our 12 volunteer drivers have been extremely grateful for the vouchers to assist with the fuel costs, it has gone a long way in assisting them to carry on volunteering.

The coming few months could be very concerning if the fuel prices do not start to reduce. If the volunteers are unable to drive, we are unable to provide a service to our customers.

Here is a copy of the voucher given to the customers:



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Fuel Voucher

We are pleased to let you know that we have received some funding and are able to reimburse 50% of your mileage expenses, which we will backdate till February 1st 2022.

You will receive reimbursement until the funding pot has run out 😊

We hope this helps allay your worries over rising costs somewhat.

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Spend:

So far we have spent £.... of the fund (please see attached spreadsheet) and we have £... remaining which will cover approximately one more month of vouchers for the Volunteer Drivers.

Service user feedback:

Mrs S – ‘I don’t know what I would do without you, I cannot access public transport, especially now I need a wheelchair and my walking is getting worse. Without your scheme I wouldn’t go anywhere’.

Mr H – ‘You always manage to accommodate me, wherever I need to get to. Nothing is too much bother for your drivers. They are all so kind’.

Ms C – ‘Without yourselves I wouldn’t be able to maintain my independence. I am only in my 50s but unable to get out and about safely without you’.

Thank you for your support on behalf of Boston Community Transport and the volunteers.

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BBL Spreadsheet
 50% of fuel expenditure

Drivers	Total to Gift	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22
BM	341.445	63.22	76.5	97.425	104.3		
BN	245.47	0	45	98.55	101.92		
DB	276.545	67.05	103	54.625	51.87		
DC	243.705	53.3	72.95	54.715	62.74		
GB	275.95	24.9	37.57	108.15	105.33		
JM	334.875	55.36	41.04	91.215	147.26		
JB	1043.36	190.05	242.96	317.8	292.55		
KL	25.56	0	0	6.3	19.26		
KP	248.79	25.85	60.47	96.45	66.02		
PC	96.47	12.52	8.25	50.1	25.6		
RC	615.27	0	81.62	244.05	289.6		
TA	18.55	18.55	0	0	0		
Administration and Printin	125						
	3890.99	510.8	769.36	1219.38	1266.45	0	0

Counting down total **1109.01**

£125 towards printing and administration