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Bus Services Saved

Weston MP John Penrose has criticised First Bus for threatening to slash vital local bus routes, including services to Bristol Airport, Churchill, Langford and Hutton

John said: "If these routes had been cut, it would have been a disaster for local villages such as Hutton, Churchill and Langford.

"Many vulnerable people, particularly the elderly or ill who cannot drive, would have been left stranded. And there would be problems for passengers flying from Bristol Airport too. Without a proper bus service, more people would travel to the airport by car, putting even more strain on local roads

and increasing both noise and congestion."

"The really disappointing part is that First haven't consulted local residents at all. That's why I wrote to First Bus urging them to think again. I also wrote to North Somerset Council and rival bus firm ACL Travel to see if they could take up the slack. I'm delighted that the council and bus companies have responded so positively and have now worked out a plan to save the services."



■ MP John Penrose in the driving seat of the campaign to save local buses

Wind Turbine a first for local Schools



■ MP John Penrose was joined by pupils, parents and staff at Winscombe Primary School to open their new wind turbine

John said: "It's fantastic that Winscombe School have got their wind turbine up and running. "Not only will it generate electricity for the school but it's a larger than life teaching aid. I hope it will encourage pupils to take a stronger interest in our environment, and in how we should protect and preserve it for future generations too."



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