

DRT

Leicestershire's experience

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Present Policy

- 95% hourly or better bus services
- 5% demand responsive services
 - DRT designed by consultation
 - 30 services running since 2002
 - Users like them
- Community Transport
 - Mobility impaired people
 - Countywide

- Policy needed revision
- County Council savings required
- Proposal to do this by
 - Reduce bus network
 - Increase DRT network
 - Retain community transport

- Some responses
 - Accept hourly bus service not needed
 - Don't like DRT
 - Want to get to doctors
 - Want scheduled journey
 - Want peak travel
 - Want on the day travel
 - DRT will meet needs

- ❑ Part of problem is lack of understanding of DRT
- ❑ But
 - How describe an unfamiliar concept?
 - How describe drt when so varied?
- ❑ Part of problem is big change
 - From hourly & daily
 - To demand led & lower cost solution

- ❑ Political process
 - Collate & report on consultation
 - Scrutiny Review final report
 - Policy decision mid September
 - Service changes 2013