

Bus Open Data in Scotland PTIC Update



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- Also includes some accessibility data
- Largely for local authorities





Legislation

- Transport Scotland Act 2019
- Format specified
- Open Publishing
- Types



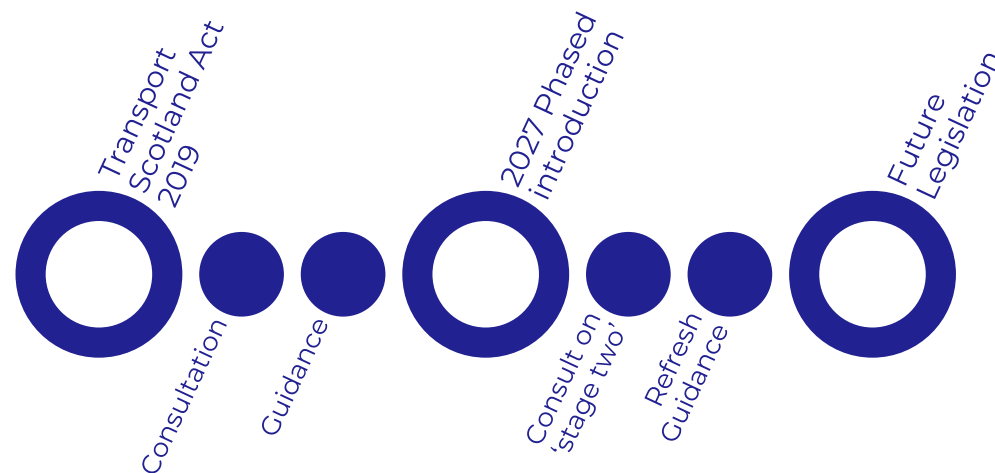
Consultation

- 31 March – June 2025
- Operators
- Local Authorities
- Tech firms
- Passengers & the Public



In Force

- April 2027
- October 2027
- April 2028
- October 2028
- April 2029
- April 2030



Enforcement/Guidance



Enforcement isn't in the hands of Transport Scotland, but the Traffic Commissioner for Scotland



Sharon Clelland took up post in April 2026



We want to begin with guidance and support, including dedicated Transport Scotland Resource



Guidance

Where will guidance be most helpful?

- We don't imagine that supplying timetable information will be an area that individual operators might need support for, but we equally don't want to assume that no help is required when it is.
- We want operators to let us know where guidance would help best.
- We want to support consistency, that might still mean industry led guidance

What will the guidance look like?

- What we develop will largely depend on industry responses
- If it would be unhelpful to have statutory guidance in an area – let us know!
- Please share lessons learned from BOD in other areas



Legislation – Next Steps

The Scottish Parliament will review the content of the supporting legislation

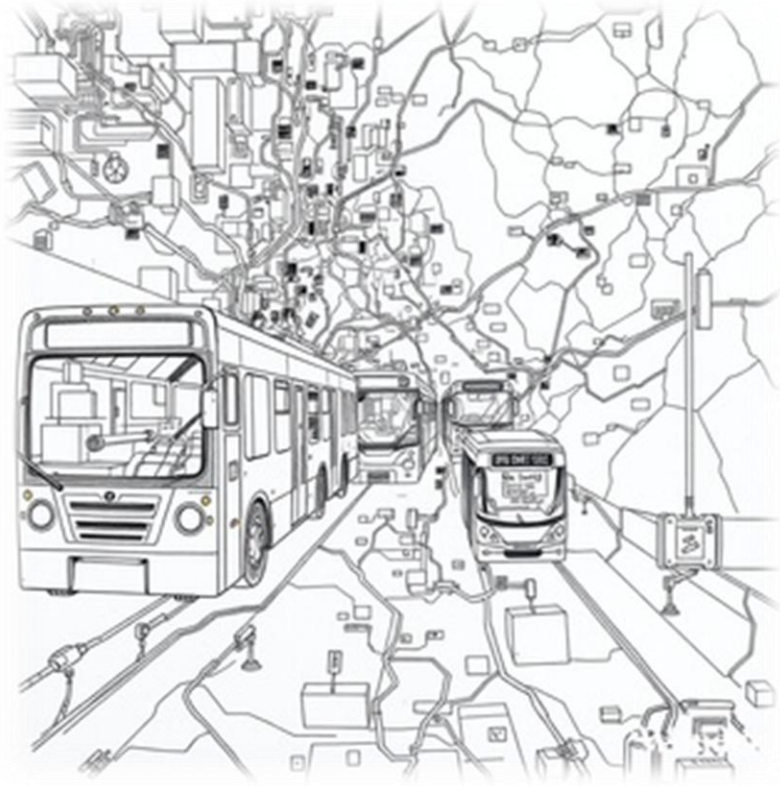
In parallel, the advice that we have gathered on guidance will be acted on. Stakeholder groups will determine how this is delivered.

The detail of what specifically is coming, the order it is coming in and from when is already public domain, but we will do our best to make sure everyone is informed.

A number of bodies have been approached to take part already



Bus Open Data



- <https://www.transport.gov.scot/publication/bus-open-data-analysis-2025/> - THE RESULT

