



# Helping Hands

providing practical and emotional support within the Jewish community

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## Helping Hands Community Bus

### How can you hire the bus?

- The bus will be available for hire by any Jewish Organisation in Brighton & Hove and surrounding areas.
- All you have to do is phone the 'Bus Line' on 01273 737844 or email [hhbusline@googlegmail.com](mailto:hhbusline@googlegmail.com)
- We will need at least 3 weeks notice to book the bus unless you have a regular booking with us throughout the year.
- There will be a returnable deposit of £25 on booking the bus to cover cancellation fee. We need at least 7 days notice to cancel the booking.
- There will be no charge for the hiring of the bus BUT you will need to pay for fuel.
- You will need a MIDAS licensed driver, Helping Hands have 3 volunteers who are MIDAS trained and if one is not available, Community Transport can supply a driver. The current charge is £8/hour.
- We would like to encourage organisations to find people to take the MIDAS test. They must have a D1 category on their licence. If they are prepared to drive for Helping Hands at least twice a year we will be happy to help towards the costs of the test.

### Community Transport (CT)

- The bus is housed at Community Transport at Preston Barracks, Lewes Road, Brighton.
- CT will invoice Helping Hands for the fuel and driver (if hired). Helping Hands will then pass the costs onto the relevant organisations.
- CT will hire out the bus to the wider community when Helping Hands and other Jewish organisations are not using it which will obviously include Shabbat and Hagim. Helping Hands will receive 25% of any income generated after costs have been covered.
- CT agreed they will look after the following:
  - Insurance
  - Road Fund Licence & permits
  - Safety checks & services
  - Cleaning
  - Additional servicing
- CT will prepare and maintain all the paperwork and records of bus usage which would be required by the vehicle inspectorate and insurance house.

For further information please do not hesitate to call the Bus Line on **01273 737844** and we will be happy to help you.