

REPORT TO: Policy and Performance Review Committee

MEETING DATE: 25 November 2014

BY: Depute Chief Executive - Partnerships and Community Services

SUBJECT: Use of Council Bus Fleet

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report provides the Committee with an opportunity to assess current and proposed use of the existing fleet of buses within Transport Services

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Committee is requested to note the content of this report which forms a basis for discussion with regard to current and future utilisation of the Council passenger carrying fleet within Transport Services.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the PPRC meeting in January 2014 a request for further information was requested with regard to the utilisation both current and in the future of the existing council fleet of vehicles.
- 3.2 At this previous meeting the current utilisation was around 70% which is a high value compared to local operators. There are periods within this that the vehicles are stationary as a result of clients/passengers visiting pool, attraction, day centre etc and therefore may appear not to be operational.
- 3.3 Transport Services have recently reduced the fleet by three vehicles and the work carried out by these transferred to the local taxi operators and in most cases this has been a success.
- 3.4 The current fleet carries out transport requirements for Adult Wellbeing, Education and externally run day centres and lunch clubs. All externally run day centres and lunch clubs are partially funded by East Lothian Council through Adult Wellbeing. (See Appendix A)

- 3.5 A trial was recently carried out where a supported services route (Service 110 operated by Prentice Coaches), was to be utilised by the clients using Ormiston Primrose lunch club but this was unsuccessful due to opening times of the lunch club.
- 3.6 All six secondary schools have pupils attending South East Scotland Academies Partnership and Transport Services vehicles collect pupils from all schools to a central meeting point then re-distribute these pupils to attend Queen Margaret University and three campuses of Edinburgh College. Currently there are 94 pupils attending and the cost per head is 86p per person per journey. Local taxi companies also assist in this transport where numbers are not viable for Transport Services vehicles.
- 3.7 Recently held meetings with the Association of Day Centres in East Lothian have shown that there are possible collaboration options to allow better utilisation of both fleets of vehicles.
- 3.8 Further investigation is to be done to see if it is possible to utilise the Council fleet to provide services during school and day centre holidays when vehicle utilisation is at its' lowest i.e. over the festive period. Currently the fleet is used for East Lothian Special Needs Playschemes over the summer, Easter and October school breaks.
- 3.9 A further report will be brought to the PPRC with information regarding the Supported Services routes within East Lothian. The current contract for these services is due to go to tender in December 14 to commence on 1 April 2015.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 This report is not applicable to the well being of equalities groups and an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

6 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 Appendix A Bus time graph

7 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

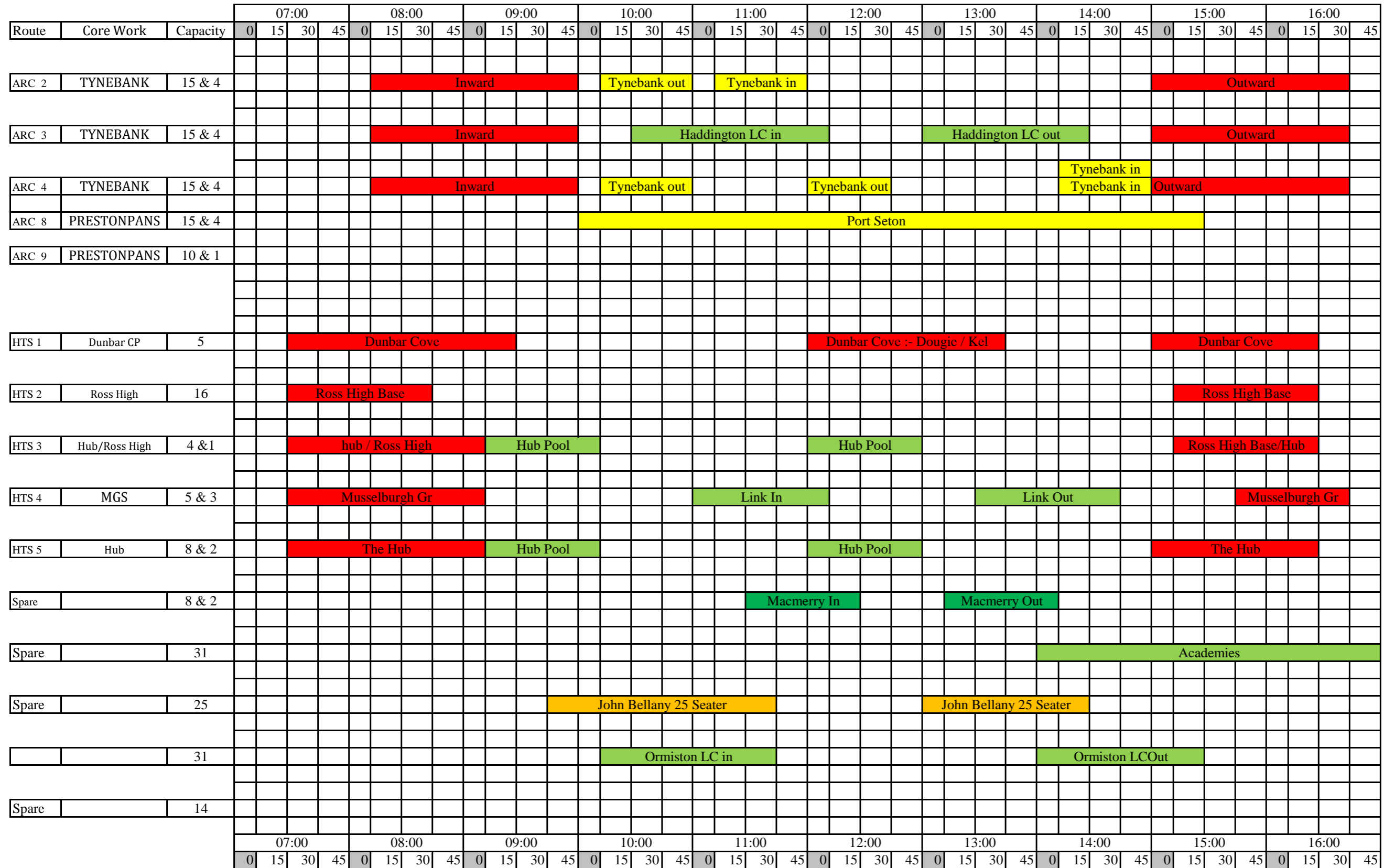
7.1 Financial - None

7.2 Personnel - None

7.3 Other - None

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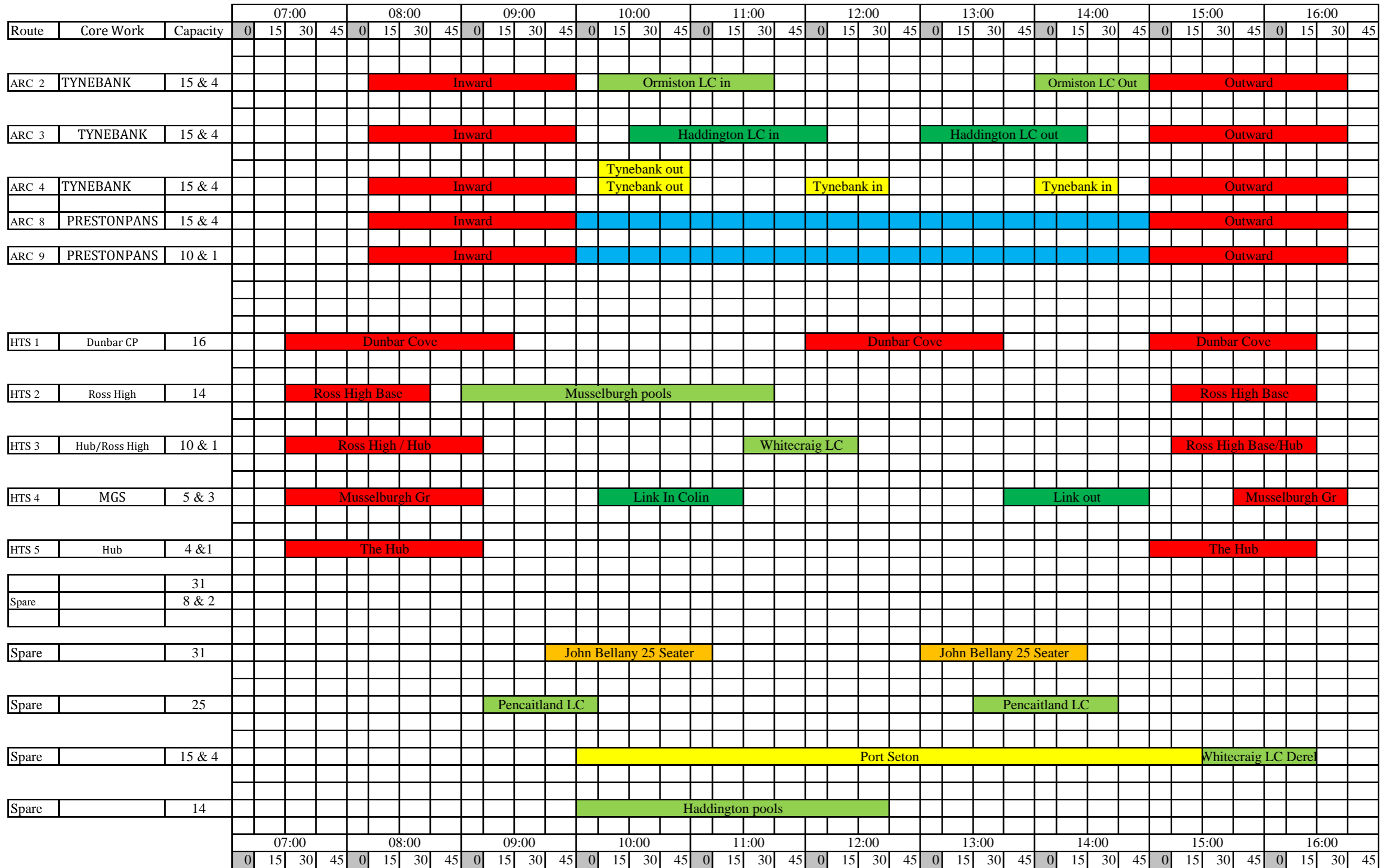
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Tuesday

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ARC 3	TYNEBANK	15 & 4					Inward				Haddington LC in 25 seater								Haddington LC out				Outward																			
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ARC 8	PRESTONPANS	15 & 4					Inward				25 seater								Outward																							
ARC 9	PRESTONPANS	10 & 1					Inward				25 seater								Outward																							
HTS 1	Dunbar CP	14					Dunbar Cove								Dunbar Cove :- Gordon/Colin								Dunbar Cove																			
HTS 2	Ross High	16					Ross High Base				Meadowmill to Dunbar												Ross High Base																			
HTS 3	Hub/Ross High	4 & 1					Ross High / Hub												Ross High Base/Hub																							
HTS 4	MGS	5 & 3					Musselburgh Gr				Prestonpans Pool												Musselburgh Gr																			
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Wednesday



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Thursday

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