

## Changes to MyCiTi operating hours

The City of Cape Town has announced that as of 1 March 2021, some of the MyCiTi routes will no longer operate into the late evening, and has requested commuters to take note of the new schedule.



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The busiest and most popular routes such as those serving Atlantis, Table View, Melkbos and Dunoon *will not be affected* as the demand for the service is still high at night. These are specifically:

- T01 Dunoon, Table View, Civic Centre, V&A Waterfront
- T03 Atlantis, Melkbosstrand, Table View, Century City
- · All routes in Atlantis
- Route 261 Century City Rail, Omuramba, Adderley

The majority of the other MyCiTi routes will stop operating between 7pm and 9pm on weekdays, and some – like those serving Hout Bay – will terminate at around 9.35pm. The City's Mayoral Committee Member for Transport, Alderman Felicity Purchase, has assured commuters that these schedule changes are only temporary.

"The Covid-19 pandemic is having a severe impact on commuters, and the demand for the MyCiTi service. We find that most people now prefer travelling home earlier than was the case before the pandemic hit us in March last year," said Purchase.

"The City has to reprioritise spending in response to the pandemic, and as a responsible government, we are cutting costs wherever we can. Transport officials conducted an analysis of commuters' travel patterns over the past few months and this confirmed that few people are now travelling after 8pm on most of our MyCiTi routes.

"We have, therefore, decided to temporarily curtail late-night trips on some of the MyCiTi routes as from 1 March 2021. This is in an effort to cut operational costs. The operating times will be adjusted once we have recovered from the pandemic, and passenger demand is up again."

Commuters are advised to visit the MyCiTi website on <a href="www.myciti.org.za">www.myciti.org.za</a>; or to use the MyCiTi app for the latest time schedules. Passengers can also phone the Transport Information Centre on 0800 65 64 63 for updates.

Some of the timetables at the bus stops are outdated, given that the Alert Levels related to Covid-19 are continuously amended by the National Government with either stricter curfew times, or the easing thereof. Thus, commuters should please confirm the time tables by either phoning the Transport Information Centre, or using the MyCiTi app or website.

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